

就三十九百壹千八官 SHIPPING ARRIVATS. March 24, GLENLYON, British steamer, 1,373, W. O. Mackinley, Saigon 20th March, Rice. - JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. March 24, PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British str., 1.011, H. H. Lightwood, Bangkok Made expressly to withstand the combined 17th March, General. Your Far Hong. March 24, Narat, French steamer, 4.089 Didier, Marseilles 17th Feb., Naples 19th, Port Said 28rd, Suez 24th, Aden 29th; Colombo 9th March, Singapore 16th, and Sugon 21st, Mails and Gene- Sale or hire. GLEARANCES. AT THE CARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE. MARCH 24TH. Sherard Ochorn, British str., for a cruise. Patroclus, L. itish str., for Singapore. Pimples, German str., for Saigon. Yangtere, British str., for Shanghai. Picciola, Gorman str., for Swatow. Triumph, German atr., for Quanghai. Taiwan, British str., for Singapore. DEPARTURES. March 23, WELLE, German str., for Holhow. March 24, JEDDAH, British str., for Amoy. March 24, Pimpros, German str., for Saigon. March 24, YANGTSZE, British, steamer, for Shanghai. March 24, CLAYMORE, British steamer, for Yokohama. March 24, Tarwan, British steamer, for Singapore, &c. March 24, Swirr, British g-bt., for Amoy. PASSENGERS. Per Glenlyon, str., from Shigon, -2 Chinese. Per Phra Chula Chom Kluo, str., from Bang. kok .- Mosers. Williamson and C. Cregeen, and Per Natal, str., for Hongkong .- From Mar. seilles.-Mr. and Mrs. Bezaure and maid servent. Mr. and Mrs. Karpelis, Mrs. Schoedelin, Massrs. 10S. 4, 7, and 8, SEYHOUR TERRACE. Northay; Fitzgerald. Crengh, Mackeill Smith, Humphreys, Cruigsbank, Worder, Ulmann, No. 7, GARDEN ROAD, (known as HARPER-Turner, Best, Hunter, Brownbill, and Detring and servant. From Singapore.—Mosers. Blair, Mackellam, Le Tabaff, and Lattars, and 2 Chinose. From Saigon .- 58 Olivess. For Shang. hai. - From Marseilles - Mrs. Johnstone and 2 children, Revs. Evariete Boek, Von Boll, and Krills, Mr. and Mrs. Haltiz, Messrs, Palm, Mendel, Walter, Bishop, and Frame, For Yokobuma. - From Marsoilles. - Messrs. Grillo, Garboroglio, Max Renard, and Blot." DEPARTED. Per Kwanjiung, str., for Amoy. - Mr. and Mrs. Renzeley, Messrs. W. F. Brown and J. Douglas, For Foothow .- Mr. R. C. Hurley. REPORTS. The British steamer Glenlyon reports left Sai! gon on the 20th inst., and had light wind and fine weather throughout. The British steamer Phra Chula Chom Klao reports left Bangkok on the 17th inst. infrom port to Ladrones light wind and fine weather; 10 miles outside Ladrones to port dense fog. On the Brd inst., passed str. Danube. SHANGHAL SHIPPING. 11. Kiang-teen, Chinese str., from Ningpo. 11. Taku, British str., from Fooghow. 11, Kiang-yung, Chinese str., from Hankow. 11. Just. British ste., from Hankow. 11, Curacon, British corv., from Chinking. 11. Pasang, British str., from Hongkong. 11. Les yuen, Chinese str., from Tientsin. 11. Sin Nanzing, British str., from Tientsin. 11. Yau tsze, British str., from dekong. 11. Poo-chi, l'hinese str., from Fientsin. 12. Tunsin, British str., from Ningpo. 2, Achilles, British str., from Liverpool. 12. Wenchow. British str., from Tientsin. 12, Yoritomo Mara, Jap. str., from K'notzu. 13, Kiang-teen, Chinese str., from Ningpo. 13, Shanghai, British str., from Hankow, 13, Yung-ning, Chinese str., from Wenchow. 13. Kwa Heing; Chinese str., from a cruise... 13. Tientsin, British str., from Swatow. 13, Moray, British str., from Nagasaki. 13, Waverley, British str., from Tientsin. 13, Snewo, British atc., from Amoy. 13, Glencos, Buifish atr., from London, 14. Tunsin, British str., from Ningpo. 14. Fun Wo, British str., from Haubow. 14. Chin-tung, Chinese str., from Tientain: 14. Champion, British corv., from a gruise. 14, I alos, Amr. g.bt., from Tiontein. 15. Sindb. Freuch str., from Hougkong. 15, Kiang-teen, Chinese str., from Ningpo., 15. Store Nordiske, Danish str., from a cruise. 15. Kinng-yu. Chinese str., from Hankow. 15, Genkai Maru, Jap. str., from Japan. 15, Reporter, Ame, ship, from Now York. 16. Kwang-lee, British etr., from Tientsin. 16, Chi-yuon, Chinese str., from Hongkong. 16. Hae-shin, Chinese str., from Foochow. 16, Punsin, British str., from Ningpo. 16. Pekin, British str., from Hankow, 16, Chang-king, British str., from Tientsin. 16. Youg-ching, Chinese str., from Tiontsin, 17, Fooksane, British ste., from Hongkong. 17, Taiwo, British str., from Henkow, 17, Hos-an, Chinese str., from Tientsin, 17, W. C. de Vries, British str., from Hankow. 17, Wachang, British str., from Tientain. 17, Iugo, German str., from Nagasaki, 17. Hileyeshi Maru, Jap. str., from E notzu. 17. Kowshing, British str., from Tientsin. 17, Anglo-Indiau, British back, from Japan: March DEPARTURES. 11. Chibaya Maru, Jap. str., for Kuchinotzu. 11, Amoy, British str., for Nagasaki 11. Ingo, German str., for Nagasaki.
11. Fangshun, Chinese str., for Tientsin. 11, Kiang foo, Chinese str., for Hankow. 11. Nanzing, British str., for Nagasaki. 11, Nowchwang, British str., for Tientsin. 11, Ningpo, British str., for Hongkong. 11. Wha on, British str., for Hankow. 11, Yebsin, Chinese atr., for Tientsin,

11, Kung-pai, Chinese str., for Tientsin. 11. Kinng-teen, Chinese str., for Ningpo. 11, Champion, British corv., for a craise. 12. F. P. Litchtield, Amr. bk., for Hongkong 12. Doretta, Siamese brig, for Nagasaki. 12 Laurtes, British str., for London 12. Ngankin, British str., for Hankow. 12, lokio Marn, Japanese str., for Japan. 12, Tunsin, British str., for Ningpo, 12, Minna, British bark, for Foodhow. 13. Wladivostock, Russian str., for Nagasaki. 13. Taku, British str., for Foodhow 13, Sin Nauzing, British sty, for Obefoo. 13, Sual British str., for Hankow. 13, Malwa, British str., for Hongkong. 18, Kung Wo. Hritish str., for Hankow. 13. Peochi, Chinese str., for Tientsing 13. Satsums, British bark, for Nagasaki. 14, Wenchow, British str., for Chefoc. 14, Possing, British str., for Hongkong. 14. Kiang-yang, Chinese str., for Hankow. 14, Lee yuen, Chinese str., for Chefoo. 14, Tunsin, British str., for Ningpo. 14, Yoritomo Maru, Jap. str., for Negasaki. 15, Klang-teen, Chinese str., for Ningpo. 15, Ynogning, Chinese str., for Wendhow. 15. Shanghai, British str., for Hankow. 25, Yangtsze, British str., for Hongkong: 16. Hilda, British bark, for Newshwang. 16. Waverley, British str., for Tientsin. 16, Seewe, British str., for Amoy. 16, Chin-tung, Chinese str., for Chinking. 16. Full Wo British str., for Hankow, 17. Tunsin, British str., for Ningpo. 17, Curacoa, British corv., for a orules.

VESSELS AUDIVED IN ECCOPE FROM PORTS IN CHINA, JAPAN, AND MANILA. (Per last Mail's Advice).

TO LET 11. Queen's Road Contral. Glauous (e.) Shanghai Feb. 4 Russell & Co. Glonartney (s.) Shanghai Feb. 6

INTIMATIONS:

FOR SALE. A MERICAN ORGANS, with from Six to Eleven Stops, at from \$100 to \$160 each. heat and moisture of the Hangkong Climate. PIANOS, by BROADWOOD, COLLARD and

COLLARD, and CHAPPELL, always in stock for PIANOS, ORGANS, and HARMONIUMS,

Ropaired and Tuned by a Competent Tquer from Messrs. Broadwood & Sons, London. NEW MUSIC, received monthly from Messrs. CHAPPELL & Co., London,

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. 18th March, 1884.

BOARD AND LODGING OR LODGING INSTALMENT received \$ \$2,074,744.75. Married Couple unencumbered. Central Posi-Apply by letter first to

Office of this Paper. 29th February, 1884.

NOTICE. THE Undersigned bags to notify the Public that she has REMOVED HER PRIVATE TIFFIN ROOMS from BEACONSPIELD AR-CADE, to Nos. 7 and 9, Wyndham Street, M. Grote, Esq. Board and Lodging on the premises. For Particulars, apply to

Mrs. PETER SMITH. 10th March, 1884.

TO BE LET TO LET.

No. 16, HOLLYWOOD ROLD. No. 25B. PEAYA CENTRAL. DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. 28th June, 1883.

ODOWNS TO LET. No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL For Particulars, apply to NAM HING LOONG. 93 and 95. Queen's Road.

21st March, 1884. TO LET

NEURNISHED ROOMS, in ELGIN

Care of this Office, 18th March, 1884. A HAIPHONG.

A LOUER un TERRAIN Voisin du Con. Partners in our Firm. longueur 200 yards, profoadeur 100 yards, a ven deux Maisons et Dépendancies, Citorne, &c. Plus an TERRAIN sur la rivo du conol servant de marché, longueur 80 yards, profondeur 45 yards—on a vendre B'addresser à Ms. THEVENIN. 13th March, 1984.

TO LET. C MMODIOUS ROOM, with bathroom Apply to

HESSE & Co.,

7th March, 1884:

Prava Control B .-

TO LET. SMALL GODOWN, Water Frontage. Apply to

Office of this Paper. 6th March, 1884. PEAK RESIDENCE.

THIO BE LET, Furnished, from lat May 3 Sist December Next, the HOUSE known as "SQUIER'S BUNGALOW," with Tennis Ground attached.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS. 12th March, 1884.

TO BE LET. N.TO. 9, MOSQUE TERRACE. HOUSES in Spring Gardens, at moderat GODOWNS, East and WEST POINTS.

Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS. 8th February, 1884. TO BE LET.

ARGE and SMALL COAL GODOWNS at Wanchai, with Water Frontage. Apply to LINSTEAD & DAYIS. 5th January, 1884.

From 1st April, 1804. FIRHE PREMISES now occupied by Mr. DA Costa or the Undersigned shall then have Rehemosoboy Habbibboy, No. 46, in had notice, and that the said ABMINDA ANGE. Lyndhurst Terrace. Apply to

H. M. M. ALLY & Co. 29th February, 1884. NOALS TAKEN ON STORAGE at mode, requested to make immediate payment to the rate terms. Apply to

MEYER & Co. 1st February, 1884. 270 WYONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS Goods received on STORAGE at Moderate 615

Rates, in First-class Godowns. Entire GODOWNS to be LET. MEYER & Co. 2rd March, 1391. TO BE LET.
With Immediate Possession.

FITHE DETACHED RESIDENCE known BERYL," situate at Kowloon, with Flower and Vegetable Gardens and Tonnis Lawn, Rent moderate. Apply to HENRY J. HOLMES

Solicitor, Zetland Street. 8th February, 1884. or the hard of the control of the co MODOWNS Nos, 64 and 65, PRATA BAST BOWRINGTON.

Apply to D. NOWROJEE Victoria Hotel. 28th December, 1883.

TO LET. N DOOMS in CLUB CHAMBERS. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. lat February, 1882,

TYTHE PREMISES now occupied by us No. GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. let Apoust, 1888.

HONGKONG, TI ESDAY, MARCH 2516, 1884.

AUCTIONS.

ARIENTAL BANK CORPORATION (INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER). PAID-UP CAPITAL ... £1,500,000

DER CHARTER £1,500,000. LONDON BANKERS Union Bank of London; Limited.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS At 3 Months Notice, 3 per Cont. per Annum. At 6 Months Notice, 4 per Cont. per Annum. At 12 Mouths' Notice, 5 per Cent. per Annum. Current Acceptates kept on Terms which may e learnt on application. J. MELVILLE MATSON. Manager.

BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON.

T TONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKT CORPURATION.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1882;

AID-UP CAPITAL ... \$5,000,000. \$7,074,744.75. RESERVED FUND 32 500,000

INSTALMENTS of PRE-MIUM received on \$1,563,361.66. NEW SHARES

COURT OF DERECTORS: Chairman-A. P. McEwen. E.q. Deputy Chairman-F. D. Stssoon, Esq. L. Dalrymple, Esq. A. Molver, Esq. of A. Gultzow, Esq., M. F. Sassoon, Esq. W. H. Forbes, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong-THOMAS JACKSON, Esq., MANAGER. Shanghai-Ewen Cameron, Esq. LONDON BANKERS-LONDON & COUNTY BANK

HONGKONG-INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Deposit Account at the rate of per cent, per Annum on the daily balance. Op Fixed Deposits - 10 100

For : 3, months 3 per Cent; per Annum. For 6 months 4 per Cent, per Annum. For 12 months 5 per Cent, per Annum. LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Campure granted on approved Securities, an every description of Banking and Exchange [27] business transacted. DRAFTS granted on London and the chie

commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America China and Japan. T. JACKSON, Chief Manager, Offices of the Corporation .: + 1 (1977) No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, 28th February, 1884...

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

[590] TATE FRANCISCO MAMEDE GON. SALVES and Mr. AUGUSTO JOSE DO ROZARIO have this day been admitted

ROZARIO & Co. let Merch, 1884. HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED, TR. THOMAS ARNOLD will act a VA SECRETARY of the above Company until

further notice. E. R. BELILIOS. Chairman. 25th February, 1884.

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE. the matter of the Estate of POLYCARPO ANTONIO DA COSTA, late of Victoria. in the Colony of Hongkong, Secretary of

the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steam.

boat Company, Limited, Deceased. TOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons having any CLAIMS DEMANDS upon or against the ESTATE the said POLYCARPO ANTONIO DA COSTA, who died while travelling from Hong-

kong to Macac, on the 21th day of February. 1884, and Letters of Administration to whose Estate were granted by the Supreme Court of Hongkong in its Probate Jarisdiction on the 4th day of March, 1884, to ARMINDA ANGELICA DA COSTA, the Widow of the said POLYCARPO ANTONIO DA COSTA, are hereby required to send in Writing the full Particulars of their Claims or Demands to the Undersigned Messieurs BRERETON, WOTTON, AND DEACON, the Solicitors of the said ARMINDA ANGELICA DA COSTA, on or before the 5th day of April, 1884, pursuant to an Order of the Supremo Court of Hongkong made in this matter on the 6th day of March 1884, limiting the time for Creditors to send in their Claims to that date.

And Notice is bereby also given that at the expiration of the day above limited the said ARMINDA ANGELICA DA COSTA WILL proceed to distribute the Assets of the said POLYCARPO ANTONIO DA COSTA, deceased, amongetithe Parties entitled thereto laving regard to the Claims of which the said ARMINDA ANGELICA LICA DA COSTA will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose Claim she shall not have had, notice at [459 the time of distribution. All parties indebted to the above Estate are said Messieurs BRERETON, WOTTON, AND DEACON.

Dated the 21st day of March, 1884. BRERETON, WOTTON, & DEACON. Solicitors for the said ARMINDA ANGELICA DA COSTA,

35, Queen's Road Hongkong.

HONGRONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

MUNTEIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a statement of business Contributed during the half year ended December 31st, 1883, on or before 31st March Next, on which date the accounts will be closed. By Order of the Board of Directors. D. GILLIES. Becretary.

26th February, 1884. HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS,

WYNDHAM STREET, HONGKONG. I HE Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports that he has re-opened the HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS The whole of the Rooms have been NEWLY FURNISHED throughout, and there are Rooms suitable for either Married Couples or Single Dersons. The TABLE is supplied with the best the market can provide.

The WINES and Liquons supplied, both at the bar and table, are of the VERY BEST BRANDS. Gentlemen desirous of taking meals, such as TIPPINS and DINNERS, can have all requisite GEORGE STAINFIELD, Proprietor,

HE Undersigned have been instructed by the Commissary General of Ordnance, China, to Sell by Public Auction, TO MORROW, the 26th day of March, 1884, at 11 A.M., at Her Majesty's Ordnance Stores, Queen's Road East.

PUBLIC AU TION.

the following GOVERNMENT STORES." VAS, CORDAGE, RUGS, SERGE, CAST MIRRORS, VASES, ORNAMENTS NAS. CORDAGE, RUGS, SERGE, UASI, DIANO, &c., &c., and WROT IRON, LEATHER, COTTON, PIANO, &c., &c., Comprising LINEN and WOOLLEN AR ICLES, STEEL, TIMBER, TIN, PROLONGS, OLD FILES. CASKS PACKING CASES. EMPTY CEMENT BARRELS, BUNTING.

IRON DRUMS, UMBRELLAS BED MATS. TWEED FROCKS, CLOTH TUNICS, SERGE and CLOTH TROWSERS, BOOTS ANKLE, HELMETS, WATERPROOF COATS and KIT BAGS, &c., &c., &c. TERMS OF SALE .- Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All faults and errors of description at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. All Lots to be cleared within 48 hours.

LANE, CRAWFORD Co. Auctioneers. 24th Warch, 1884.

PUBLIC AUCTION. HHE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction.

TO-MORROW. the 26th March, 1884, at 2 r.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, SUNDRY CHINESE and JAPANESE CURIOS, &c., bolonging to the Estate of Dr. viz : 8380. A. H. VON DER HOECK.

Comprising:-KIN-LOONG, MING. HONG-HEE and other PORCELAIN WARE, CHEN CHEW WARE, JAPANESE VASES. CARD DISHES, BRONZES and LACQUERED WARE.

TERMS OF SALE, -As Customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG. Austioneer. 25th March, 1884.

PUBLIC AUCTION. N. THURSDAY, the 27th March, 1884. 3 P.M. on the premises respectively in

Five Lots by ME. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Under the direction of the MORTGAGEE. of No. 1.—All, that Piece of GROUND mes suring North about 16 feet 5 inches, South 16: feet 6 inches, East 3 feet 1 inch. 22 feet, 12 feet Sinches and 30 feet, and West 67 feet 4 inches, to be registered in the Land Office as Subsection No. 1 of Section E of INLAND LOT No. 43. On the said piece of ground is erected the valuable HOUSE known as No. 88, Queen's Road.

Lot No. 2.—All that Piece of GROUND measuring North about 16 feet 2 inches. South 16 feet 2 inobes, East 30 feet 4 inches, and West 30 feet, to be registered in the Land Office as Subsection No. 2 of Section E of Inland Lot No. 43. On the said piece of ground is erected the valuable HOUSE known as No. 88, Queen's Road. No. 3.—All that Piece of GROUND mes suring North about 18 feet, South 18 feet 3 inches, East 22 feet 6-inches and West 21 feet, registered in the Land Office as Section: 1 of Iuland Lot No. 43. On the

said pleas of pround is arcated the valuable HOUSE known as No. 37, Stanley Street. Lot No. 4.—All that Piece of GROUND measuring North about 16 feet, South 16 feet, East 59 feet 6 inches and West 59 feet 6 inches, registered in the Land Office as Section A of MARINE LOT No. 198. Un the said blede of ground is greated the valuable HOUSE known as No. 206, Praya West. Lot No. 5, All that Piece of GROUND mea. suring North about 15 feet 5 inches, South 281

15 feet 5 inches, East 41 feet and West 41 fest, revistored in the Land Office as Section E of Marine Let No. 198. On the said piece of ground is erected the valuable HOUSE known as No. 37. Battery Road. These Properties will be sold subject to their respective due proportions of the Annual Crown Rents and to the existing lettings and tenancies

For Further Particulars and Conditions SHARP, TOLLER, & JOHNSON Solicitors for the Vendor. Supreme Court House,

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. 22nd March, 1884,

PUBLIC AUCTION JAPANESE PORCELAINS, BRONZES SILK SCREENS, CURIOS,

FIHE Undorsigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

the 28th March, 1884, at 2 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Peddar's Wharf Buildings. A YEAT FINE BELECTION OF JAPANESE PORCELAIN WARE. &c., Comprising :-SATSUMA, KAGA, IMABI, KIOTO and TOR VASES, JARS, TSUBOS, BOWLS, CUPS DISHES TEA and BREAKFAST SETS.

TOKIO ENAMELLED WARE, BRONZES SILK "EMBROIDERED" SCREENS, and other Articles. Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale. TERMS OF SALE.—As oustomary. G. R. LAMMERT. Auctioneer.

25th March, 1884.

PUBLIC AUCTION. R. T.R. J. M. GUEDES-has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

est de maFRIDAY. Mar the 4th April, 1884, at 3 P.M., at the Premises, all that VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY Situate in Queen's Road and Jervois Street

All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND measure ing on the North, 18 leet; on the South 19th feet; on the East, 79 feet; and on the West, 78 feet; registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 191a, and held for the residue of the term of 75 years at the yearly rental of £4.5.9. All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, being

portion of Inland Lot No. 1918, messuring on the North St feet; on the South, St feet; on the East, 50 feet; and on the West, 50 feet; registered in the Land Office as SECTION A of INLAND LOT No. 1918. years at the apportioned yearly rental of Together with the Chapel and other buildings factures in Hongkong, Macao, and Canton, and thereon respectively and the appurtenances. The Premises will be sold subject to printed Conditions, for which and for Further Parti- named places unless received through the culars application may be made to

DANIEL E. CALDWELL.

Bolioiter for the Venders. 50, Queen's Road. or to J.M. GUEDES. Auotioneer. 24th March 1884.

CHAMPAGNE. PUSTAU & Co. Agents.

AUCTIONS. PUBLIC AUCTION. TESSES, ATACK & Co. wishing to re-M. duce their Stock in Trade of Household

Furniture, &c., bave instructed the Undersigned to Sell by Public Anotion, on SATURDAY, In the colors the 29th March, 1884, at 21 P.M., at his Furniture Store, No. 49. Queen's Road Central. SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE BOAT AWNINGS, BLANKETS, CAN. GLASS and PLATED WARE. PICTURES

ENGLISH and COLONIAL MADE HOUSE HOLD FURNITURE, Double and Single IRON BEDSTEADS, DINNER, DESSERT BREAKFAST, and TEA SERVICES Also, the following Articles of Clothing, viz: GLASS and PLATED WARE, CHIMNEY. GREAT COATS, CAPS, SERGE and GLASSES, PICTURES, VASES, and ORNAMENTS. A COTTAGE PIANO, by NEUMEYER & Co.

> Catalogues will be issued. TERMS OF SALE. - As Customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG, 25th March, 1884.

INTIMATIONS.

PENINSULAR AND ORTENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS. THIS COMPANY now grant PASSAGES THEOUGH TO LONDON VIA MARSEILLES. including Continental Railway Fares, at the same rate as for the route by sea to LONDON The Fare to MARSEILLES is new similar to that charged to BRINDIST or VENICE. viz: \$355.

A. MoIVER. Superintendent. 14th March, 1884. PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

QUARANTINE IN EUROPE. TASSENGERS AND SHIPPERS above Company's steamers are informed that Quarantine enforcements have been reduced at Masseilles to 24 hours and at VENICE to 2. days, performed on board the steamer at

both Ports. Quarantine will probably be removed from all ports by the time steamers, now leaving China will arrive in the MEDITERRANDAND Passengers by the Compuny's atsamers have always the option of continuing the journey of to London, on payment of the difference of fare. A. McIVER.

Superintendent. l2th February, 1884... X7 BREWER offers the following V. a Annuals, 3 for \$1.

Whitaker's Almanack, 1884. Christmas Numbers of Graphic, Illustrated Pictorial World, London Society, Tiusleys Theater, All the Year Round, Vanity Fair Christian World, Life.

"Golden Cloud" and Fresh American A fine selection of Lenther Goods consisting Pocket Books, Letter Cases, Photo Albums, Writing Cases, Handbars, &c.

A large quantity of Cheap European Account Books, ready Ruled Eats of 3 Books 86.00. Also, Large Account Books in great variety. A few Lietts's Diaries, bull price.

JUST RECEIVED. More Copies of New Edition Williams' Middle Large Quantity of Japanese, Photographs and Goods, very cheap.

W. BREWER. Queen's Road, ELUY WALSH have just received the following

NEW MUSIC. DANCE MUSIC. La Barcarollo Waltz-Waldtenfel. Ariel Waltz-Charles. Coote. Elyslum Valse-George Asob. Figuro Polka-Ph. Fahrbach.

In the Twilight Valse-Charles Coote. Les Patineurs Valse-Waldtenfel. Fedora Valse-Bucalossi. [614 Estudiana Valso-Waldtenfel. Mon Amour Value-Waldteufel. Der Bettelstudent Valse-C. Millöcker. My Queen Walts-Bucalossi. Polores Valse-Waldtoufel. Tout à la Joie Polka-Fahrbach.

> SONGS. 'Neath the Willow-Louis Diehl. The Pilgrim's Song-Frances Ridley Haverga At Peace-Leon Cavalla. The Harp Unstrung-C. S. Cook. Love must Come-Tito Mattei.

A Girl's Grave—Emilia Sturmfels. KELLY A'WALSH.—HONGKONG. HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION. THE DIVIDEND declared for the balf year ending 31st December last, at the rate of Two Pounds Sterling per Share of \$125 and ONE Pound and Five Shinkings Sterling per New Share of \$93.75 paid up is payable on and after FRIDAY, the 29th February Current, at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants. By Order of the Court of Directors.

T. JACKSON: Chief Manage 28th February, 1884. THE BANKRUFTCY ACT 1869.

IN HER MAJESTY'S COURT AT AMOY

IN the matter of proceedings for liquidation by arrangement or composition with Oreditors instituted by JAMILSON ELLES of Amoy, lately trading under the style or firm of ELLES & Co. at Amoy. A Dividend is intended to be declared in the above matter on the third day of a pril, 1884. Dated this 13th day of March, 1884. F. CHOMLEY, Trustees.

and hold for the residue of the term of 75 / FIRE Undersigned has been instructed by the A. "SANITAS" COMPANY, LIMITED. begs to inform the public that the said Company will not accept indents from the above Undersigned.

E. F. DE SOUZA.

28th February, 1884. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are

landed and stored at their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected. "IRAQUADDY." No Mark, No Number, 2 Bundles Iron. J. MARTIN.

號五十二月三英港咨

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES STEAMSHIP "NATAL," COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, are being landed and stared at their risks at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees

before TEN A.M., TO-DAY, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the . V. is authorized to sign our name by Pro-Goods remaining unclaimed after MON-DAY, the 31st inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges at 1 Cent per package per diem. All Claims must be sent in to me before the 2nd April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Acting Agent. 25th March, 1884.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMSHIP "KUMAMOTO MARU.

FROM KOBE AND NAGASAKI. ONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after TUESDAY, the 25th March, 1834, will be lauded and stored at Consignees expense and risk.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. H. J. H. TRIPP Mitsu Bishi Mail Steamship Co. 24th March, 1884.

UNION LINE. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

HE Steamellin " CLAYMORE." Captain Gulland, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alonyside. Cargo impeding the discharge of the steamer will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will

ROM LONDON, PENANC, AND

Optional cargo will be forwarded on to Yoko hama unless notice to the contrag. be given before FIVE P.M. TO-DAY. All claims against the stramer fast be presented to the Undersigned on or before the Slat instant, or they will not be responseed. RUSSELL & Co.,

22nd March, 1884. AUSTRO HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIDERS.

FROM TRIESTE BOMBAY, COLOMB PENANC, AND SINGAPORE. NIHE Steamship "BERENICE," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods. with the exception of Opium, are being landed

at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, who nee delivery may be obtained Consignees wishing to receive their Goods on he Whart are at liberty to do so. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must sent in to the undersigned before Noon, on th 27th instant, or they will not be recognised. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any

goods remaining in the Godowns after the 27th instant, will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be Countersigned by MELCHERS & Co., Agents. 21st March, 1884.

FROM-HAMBURG, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE. HE Steamship

"IPHIGENIA." Captain Ahrens, having arrived from the formed that their Goods, with the exception of on or about the 27th instant. Opium, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence sec from the wharves or boats delivery may be obtained.

· Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY, the 22nd instant. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 26th instant, will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSSEN & Co., 22nd March, 1884. TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO EX O. S.S. CO.'S S.S. "SARPEDON."

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

CHIPPING Orders must be obtained, from the Undersigned not later than the 25th inst. for shipment per steamer "STENTOR." BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

20th March, 1884. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer are hereby notified that the Cargo is being dis-charged into Craft, and landed at the Godowns Ports. Could take any post of trust. If the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees, risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 20th March, 1884. Goods undelivered after the 26th March. 1884. will be subject to Rent. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. 20th March, 1854

FROM LONDON, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE. HE Steamship Learning view of GLENELG? having arrived from the above Ports. Consignoes

of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, are being Incided at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and from the Wharves or Boate pose of receiving the Report of the Directors delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TU-DAY, the 18th instant. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 25th instant, will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

18th March, 1884. AMERICAN SHIP "RAPHAEL." FROM NEW YORK.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been from alongside. be landed and stored at Consignous risk and have also been engaged. expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

12th March, 1884.

PRICE \$24 PER MONTH INTIMATIONS.

T is intended to BLOW UP the remains of CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamships AFTERNOON, the 25th instant. Masters of "EUPHRATE" and "GANGE," Ships and persons in boats are CAUTIONED not to pass within 200 yards of the BUOY marked

H. G. THOMSETT, R.N.

Harbour Master, &c.

NOTICE. MR. CHARLES ALEXANDER TOMES curation, in Hongkong, from this date. RUSSELL & Co.

24th March, 1884. NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS. HE Company's Steamship

"MENZALEH," Captain Blane, will be despatched for TOKOHAMA. TO MORROW, the 26th inst. at DAYLIGHT. I. MARTIN. Acting Agent.

25th March, 1884. NUTICE.

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"NATAL," Captain Didier, will be despatched for SHANGHAI TO-MORBOW, the 26th inst., at DATLIGHT. I. MARTIN. Acting Agent.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SHANGHAL Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates

for Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchward.

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IHE Company's Steamship "FOOKSANG." Captain Hogg, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 27th inst., at Four P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

24th March, 1884. TETHERLANDS-INDIA STEAM NAVI-GATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR BATAVIA, SAMARANG, AND SOURABAYA. VIA BAIGON AND

General Managers.

HIHE Company's Steamship "GOUVERNEUR GENERAAL SJACOB." Captain Besseling, will be despatched as above on or about the 29th instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

PONTIANAK,

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Company's Steemship ACHILLES,

Suptain Anderson, will be despatched as above

24th March, 1884.

on MONDAY, the 31st instant, at FOUR P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. 25th March, 1884. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

or Ningpo, Chefoo, Newchwang, Tie.. Isin. HANKOW, and PORTS on the YANGTSZE.) INHE Company's Steamship STENTOR, above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby in- Captain Edwards, will be despatched as above

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H. M. Care of J. G. Gotz. Gorman Consulato,

Double journey 30 Cts, each Passenger. Buggage 10 Cts, per Package.

5th March, 1884. THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. TOTICE is hereby given that the THIR-IN THENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will the held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkoog, on SATURDAY, the 29th March. 1884, at 12 o'GLOOK, NOON, for the purtogether with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1883.

The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 22nd to 29th inst. both days inclusive. By Order of the Board, J. BRADLEE SMITH. Pecretary.

14th March, 1884. HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. HENRY ST. CLAIR GREELEY, who for many years has been associated CONSIGNEE; of Cargo per above vessel with the management of the OCCIDENTAL and are requested to send in their Bills of THE BALDWIN HOTELS. San Francisco, has requested to send in the Bills of Lading Lading to the undersigned for countersignature been appointed Mananus of the above Hotel, 1622 to the undersigned for countersignature, and and to take immediate delivery of their Goods and the services of Mrs. ATCHISON, who has occupied the position of MATRON in some of Cargo impeding discharge of the vossel will the Principal Hotels in the Eastern States, By Order of the Directors. L HAUSCHILD.

lat March, 1884.

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The Hongkong Postal Guide for 1884. Arrivals and Departures of Mails at and from London and Hongkong. Scales of Commissions and Charges adopted by the Chambers of Commerce of Hongkong,

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On the 4th February, killed in the massacro near Tokar, in his 22nd year, Francisco Howard Formation Walker, Captain on Baker Pacha's Staff, formerly Lieut, in the 4th Battalion East Kent Regiment (The Buffs), second son of Colonel G. E. L.

Walker, C.R.E., Hongkong, and grandeon of the late Sir George Walker, Bart., G.C.B., &c.

HONGKONG, MARCH 25TH, 1884.

The statement that a fund for the benefit of the widows and orphans of Government smsuggests the desirability of doing something des Bambons. The end of the line is connected of the same kind in Hongkong. In Caylon optically with Haiphong and Hai-danong. and most other colonies a similar fund exists, and its necessity has often been shown in FLAGS OF MERCANTILE HOUSES IN CHINA Houghoug by very distressing cases in which a Government servant has left his widow and have some sports, but we are informed that this ready to generously respond to any appeal made for public subscriptions, and the Goamount under the head of "charitable almitigating the distress which the death of of new-comers. The Chinese are at least cleanthe bread-winner entails, but it is open to A full Chronology of remarkable events since the objection that it savours too much of parish relief, and its benefits; moreover, are conferred more or less unequally, some cases being tracted much more generously than others equally or more deserving. It is evidently much more desirable that the families of Government servants should be placed in a comparatively independent posi- ladies and gentlemen. Each guest was presenttion and raised above the necessity of receiving charitable allowances from the Go- The expenses of the festival amounted to \$600 vernment or appealing to the community which was met by the Chicamen. for pecuniary aid. It ought to be the recognised duty of every married man, whether | for February we learn that the amount of rain in the Government service or not, to in- which fell during the month was as follows :-nonetantly required by residents and those in the Government service or not, to in-China, Japan, or any of the Countries embraced | dependent upon him if he is not in a at Victoria Poak, 5.87 iaches. For several years | the war party to the Foreign office at Peking." position to leave them reasonably pro-The Contents of the Appendix are too many | wided for otherwise in the case of his death. Men are thoughtless on these subjects, lished in tabular form. The mean annual rain however, or if they think about them at all fail is 90 inches. The rainy season set in in too often procrastinate until it is too late. or in October, but occasionally very little rain The scheme adopted at Singapore is equi- falls in September. The mean semi-annual rainvalent to compulsory insurance, the benefits to be secured by the annual payment to the fund of a fixed proportion of the monthly The Army and Navy Gasette has the followwidow and children. Unmarried men will power in the Pacifle. In the course of some inhave their contributions returned to them if teresting remarks the General pointed out that they retire from the service before marriage, Black Sea she had ample scope for cruiser oper- Vienna. and no doubt when they receive the sum ations from her base on the Pacific coast. He thus accumulated they will not regret any therefore urged that that base should be renderlittle inconvenience these monthly payments frigate cruisers always maintained at Vladivomay have occasioned them : while to the stock, Regarding Korea, he declared it to be of married man it must be a great relief to know that in the event of his dying before in the northern part of the peninsula. These for themselves they will not be left in want. Seeing the great advantages offered by the scheme the members of the Civil Service would do well to ask the Government to institute a fund similar to that which has Subjects in China and Japan, 1865, 1877, just been established at Singapore, but failing the initiative being taken by them we Rules of H.B.M. Supreme and other Courts | think the Government, in view of the frequent claims made on behalf of the families of deceased office s, would do well to take the matter in hand of its own motion.

> the Executive Government have refused to grant any compensation to the constables Police Force for the loss they sustained they practically accepted whatever risk at- the jac." tended a residence on the bulk, and set that down as one of the disadvantages of the serand we think the Covernment, as their could only arrive at a satisfactory arrange-

feel sure the community would like the losses of the Water Police made up to them, and CO. would be sorry to see their defenders treated illiberally. The payment of compensation in Honorous Carcers Cour. this case need not, moreover, be construed into a precedent. The Police were exceptionally housed when in the hulk, and ran a greater. rick of loss than their fellow constables on shore. The same conditions will not exist in future. The hulk will not be replaced, for the men will be billeted in the new station at Taim Tea Teai, where, if a fire should break out, they would at least be protty sure to have time to rescue their most valuable effects, and in any case they would have no claim for compensation for anything they lost. Under all the circumstances, therefore, we hope the Government will reconsider their decision and see their way to make good the loss sustained by their servants in the Hulk.

The Russian corvette Skobeleff arrived Seigon on the 17th inst. The delivery of the French mail was begun at 4.55 yesterday afternoon.

A planter in Fiji has been trying the experiment of growing tea, and claims that it is a suc-

We are requested to state that Lady Bowen's Fuesday receptions will be discontinued for the

The French Consul paid a visit on board the Audacious yesterday and received a salute upon We understand that the Honghong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Company's steamer Ho.

som, having received her new wheal, will resume her place on the Canton line to-morrow. We have to acknowledge the receipt of a list and description in Chinese of the various light. houses on the coast of China, together with

map showing the situation of the lighthouses, issued by the Imperial Maritime Customs. In another column will be found an announce ment by the Harbour Master that it is intended to blow up the remains of the Police hulk thi

afternoon and warning persons affeat not to pass within 200 yards of the buoy marked " wreck." The following paragraph from the Pall Mall asette will be read with interest by Mrs. Bernard's admirers here:- "At the Olympic Theatre on February 23, Mrs. Philip Bernard will make her debut on the stege as Lady Teasle.

The lady halis from Hongkong." The telegraph line from Hanoi to Halphong is being constructed as rapidly as possible. It follows the course of the Red River as far as Hong-yen and is then continued along the Causi

ixed for Saturday next. It was also reported that on the following Saturday the police would is not the case. The season is getting advanced. family totally unprovided for. In such cases and it is thought that if they have any sports the community have generally been found at all they had better have them after the sum-The New York Times of the 18th February vernment usually makes a grant of varying bas a long letter from Shenandoah, Pa., about European pauper labourers arriving lu large num-

The athletic sports of the Royal Artillery are

bers to work in the mines. It says the Chinese lowance." This system has worked well in | would appear preferable to the large percentage ly. These people are found in every town and hamlet in the cost region. There are at less 1.500 in the colony here. They are Polanders, Solavs, Croats and Serbs. The Chinese colony in Boston, consisting of over one hundred persons who have been gather-

ed into the Sunday school in Mt. Vernon Church gave a pleasant reception on the 18th February says an American paper) to their teachers and invited guests, numbering about three hundred ed with a good sized box filled with Chinese sweetmests, and an attractive banquet was apread

At the Observatory, 3428 inches, duration, 92 hours; at Stoneoutters' Island, 3.52 inches, and past the rainfall has been registered at Stoneontters' Island. The monthly and annual rainfall during the years 1878-1883 inclusive is pub-May or atthe end of April, and ends in September fail from May to October inclusive is 76.08 in ches, and from November to April 13.90 inches.

salary being a pension for the subscriber's ing paragraph:—A lecture was recently given at St. Petersburg by General Barabash on Russia's while Russia could be shut up in the Baltic and ed impregnable, and a powerful squadron of swift vital importance that the Chinese should not be allowed to establish any fortified port or arsenal

Journal of the Society of Arts: - In the Cantor of the plaintiffs claim. As the case at present Lecture (11.) Mr. Mattien Williams chaseves at | stands three judges -viz., Justices Grove, Lopes, page 115 :- "That large tracks of country should and Mathew-have pronounced for the defenbe periodically desclated by locusts is a striking dants, and three Judges-the Master of the proof of the neglected condition of the science | Rolls and Lords Justices Baggallay and Bowen | of cookery. If the locusts devour the crops, —for the plaintiffs. In these circumstances; charge of public gombling at 32, Gilman's Hazar, the crist the charges were levied to meet, resent them and setting under legal advice, the underwriters on the 22nd inst. why not cook, preserve, and eat the locusts?" and soting under legal advice, the underwriters on the 22nd inst.

It may be of interest to note, in connection with interested have resolved to carry the case to the Inspector Grey had been watching the game of letters for Shanghai was found to have been this suggestion, that the Chinese, who have final decision of the House of Lords. Notice of blers in Gliman's Bassar for some time, the tion is kept up."

In anticipated Western nations in so many things this appeal has been given, notwithstanding operators shifting continually from house to the Chinese Government (at first perhaps as represented by the foreign Customs staff) awaking to sented by the foreign customs are sented by the sented by the foreign customs are sented by the sented by the sented by ing to be at Tientsin in the early part of the sense of 1877, when the country was being devastated by dense flights of locusts, I observed the natives to be busily employed in catching the interest below. As informer pointed out the them; and, writing in connection with this circumstance, remarked as follows:—"The in
"The Regulations for the Consular Courts of United | Wm trust the report to the effect that the natives to be busily employed in catching eral average, and if needful to follow up this step the street below. An informer pointed out the circumstance, remarked as follows: -" The in- quently, on behalf of the underwriters, to inform the 20th as cashier. sects are much used as food, and the people thus you that they are serised that if the proportion The 18th and 20th defendants were fined \$100. belonging to the Water Contingent of the compensate themselves, to some degree for the of general average according to the adjuster's and in default went to good for three months.

loss of crops. The insects are fried in fat, statement is now, paid, it cannot be recovered. The rest were fined 35, or fourteen days, and wings and all, just like a fish. They ere caught from the plaintiffs, even if the decision of the most of them paid, through the recent destruction of the Police mostly by dragging the fields with nets, but House of Lords should be that the defendants Chop by fire is not correct. At all events, we when quite young and anable to fly, they are are not liable." trapped as follows :-- A triangular enclosure of hope the decision is not final. It is true, matting is built, open at the base, and a hole the men have no legal claim on the dug in the ground, containing a large jar at the Government. When they joined the Force apex. The fields are then besten, and the locuster

A contributor of the San Francisco Chronicle, to be held at the office of the company at Hongwriting on the subject of alayery in China, refers | kong, on Saturday next, at 12 o'clock, noon; rice. The Government made no contract to in the following terms to Hongkong:—Many guarantee either their lives or properties and they doubtless consider it would be unwise to set a precedent by granting compensation now. And it must be conceded that there is some force in that argument.

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NORTHERN & Messrs. Half & Holts and Kelly tarpayers are the persons really concerned, slave can look without feeling free. Yet it slave can look without feeling free. Let it ing in all to \$71,848.75; making the balance at credit waves over a colony which at this very mo- of reserve fund \$68,876.70, against which there are I mant affords a home for at least 10,000 slaves | known lesses of about \$18,000, up to date. trustees, have their full sanution for making | bought with hard cash, bundreds of whom are a grant to the Police to replace their lost creatures ruthlessly torn from happy homes, property. What the constables lost repre- brothels in a servitude of the most hellish kind their share of the steamer Sec Gull, which now stands sents a great deal to them; the amount -worse than death. It is all very well to say at the low figure of \$3,150.15. would be inappreciable to the tarpayers. that they can be free if they wish, when a hun-There may be some little difficulty in settling place. It is all very well to say that every crithe claims, and probably the Government minal session sees two or three convictions with heavy penalties. The thing is winked at and concealed by a venal police—not the foreign staff, ment by firing some reasonable amount per which is generally an upright body of men, but toan, unless any individual could clearly prove by the native police, who slone are able to disthat his loss was much larger than those of out of the business, only making arrests when this colleagues. However, that may be, we the bribe is insufficient.

The following are the names of the players in the cricket match to be played to-day between the Club and the Buffs; play to commence at 11 a.m.

Burrs. Capt. Gordon Lieut. Bunbury V.A. O. Hawkins Lieut. Jarrett G. S. Coron B. C. Hodder Ident. Dauglish Lieut. Lloyd M. F. Brownlow Drm. Mjr. Glesson Drmr. White J. C. C. Hendry H. G. Blee Sorgt. Hopkins F. S. C. Hara Pyto, Evane. J. H. Plumbe Capt. H. L. Posrson, R.N. Pvts. Jones A. N. Other:

The Rangoon Times of the 28th ult. says :-In our last issue we wave ourrency to a report to the effect that the town of Bhamo had been | China an indemnity of £6,000,000. sacked and burnt by the Kachyens, This report still lacks confirmation, or rather, it would be more correct to say, mosts with implicit denial; though even those who deny its accuracy most strongly admit that the attitude of the Rachyens is very enspicious. But those who say that there is some truth in the report have a very gloomy story to tell; and that story is to the effect that the notorious Li Si-tei, the man who turned Colonel Hornes Browne's expedition back, when poor Mr. Margary was murlered in 1875, is at the bottom of all the trouble. He, it is said, acting under whose orders is not known, is bent on reviving, or rather enforcing, China's claim for tribute from Burmah. Cash, it is said, is wanted at Peking, and Thee Baw's tribute is in arrears. Hence, what Mr. Gladstone would call . a demonstration in force against Thee Baw's frontier station has been

The following items are from the London and China Express of the 15th ultimo:-On the opening of the navigation at Cronstadt it is intended to deepatch to the China Station the new Russian froncia l Virdimir Monomakh, and the clippers Kreiser and Djigit.

ment (announced by as last month) of Captain Georgo D. Morant, late of the Achilles, to the post of commodere at Hongkong, in the room of

The Portuguese Minister of Marine has laid before the Chamber a Bill to authorise the East ern Extension Telegraph Company to connect Maoso and Hongkong by a cable.

Captain K. Barrow, C.M.G., late of the Royal | roads. Inniskilling Fusiliers, has, it is understood, been Colony. Captain Barrow has seen much active service on the West Coast of Africa, and formerly served in the Gold Coast Artillery.

We are requested to state that the Deutsche Borneo Company, the formation of which we recently noticed, is not, as has been stated in some quarters, in opposition to the British North Borneo Company. The German company has been established to develop a concession of land which has been granted them in the North Borneo

The Gazette of the 8th inst. contains the following notification :- "Foreign office, Jan. 16 .-of Her Majesty's Vice-Cousals at Shangasi," Mr. Ford is the Registrar of Shipping at Shanghai, and his appointment as Vice-Consul is in virtue of the recent Order in Connoil, bear-Consular Service in 1867, was appointed Second Assistant in 1876, and First Assistant in 1880.

The Institute of Architectast St. Petersburg has been considering the best means of preventdestruction of the remark ble archaic architecture of Central Asia. It has even been suggested that the Russian Government should send a comrelies. The excuse would be that the Russian architects take a practical interest in Chinese i architecture, and desire to learn the old system by which bricks were ensmelled in China.

A telegram received at St. Petersburg from Hougkong and thence sent to London, says: -"I understand that at an Imperial Council lately held at Poking, General Tang, who comseverely blamed for not supporting, as he ought, to have done, the Black Flags in the defence of that city. His button was taken from him as a It was further decided to defend Bacuinh with all the forces of the empire. This exhibition of energy on the part of the Government is inputed to the accession of some representatives of

Among the staff at the Chinese Embassy a Berlin there is a young mandarin centleman, Mr. Yin Tohang-Wulo, who has been nominated i now completely open. General Millet will also as military attaché at the Embassy at Viscon. This gentleman has received a theoretical and practical military training in the Austrian army first as a private, and then as a lieutenant in the 24th Infantry Regiment, and will be introduced into his new office by H.E. Li Fong-Pao himself, who is to visit the Austrian metropolis accompanied by his interpreter, Dr. Kreyer. Prince Prisdang of Siam, who is still busily engaged at Berlin with the negotiations connected with the Commercial Treaty with the German Empire, has sent out invitations to a groud digner at the otel Kaiserhol. As soon as the pegotiations are completed the Prince is to leave Berlin for

The following circular has been sent to the consignees of ourse by the centleman to whom the case was optrusted by the insurance companies interested :- London, Feb. 6 -Achilles str.-Ocean Steamship (: pany v. Anderson, Tritton, and Co.-You are tless aware that the Court of Appeal has recessed the judgment of the his family are grown up and able to provide views were warmly supported by other speakers. Queen's Bench Division of the High Const of Justice in this salvage case and has adjudged the Lient. Henry N. Shore, R.N. writes to the coneral average to be liable for the full amount

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report of the directors to the thirteenth ordinary meeting of shareholders.

To the debit of same account have been passed the leases for previous years paid during 1883, including the balance at debit of working account 1882, amount-

The directors have written down the value of all creatures ruthlessly toro from happy homes, the Chinese Government bonds held by the company doomed to spend their days in losthsome thought it advisable to write \$3,000 off the value of

Mr. Wm. Rainers having resigned his seat on leav ing the colony, Mr. M. Grote has been elected in his place and his appointment, together with that of Mr. José A, dos Remedios, who has been invited to join the Board, require confirmation. Mr. L. Hauschild and Mr. Thomas Arnold have

indited the accounts, and the directors have much pleasure in recommending them as auditors for the E. R. BELILIOS, Chairman, A

Hongkong, 24th March, 1884.

LATEST TELEGRAMS

LONDON, 22nd March. THE WAR IN THE SOUDAN. Despatches from Suskim state that after the defeat of Oaman Digns he atterly failed to rally his followers and fled to the interior. There is a complete stoppage of traffic on the Nile beyond Berber, and the tribes are closing round Khartoum. Despatches have been received from General

Gordon up to the 15th March. FRENCH CLAIM UPON CHINA. The French Government has claimed from THE WAR IN TONQUIN.

CAPTURE OF THAT NOUVEN. Later advices vid Singapore report the capture by the French forces of That Nguyen, without loss on their side, but with heavy loss to the enemy.

THE CAPTURE OF BACNINH.

The Saigennais of the 17th March gives following details of the Baoninh affair :-- Contrary to their usual outtom the Chinese did not wait to be attacked in the citadel itself, but adranced to large force in the direction from which Negrior's column was approaching in order to intercept his route in the forts to the north of Bacuiuh. Driven from these positions, they fell back towards the sast, but in this direction they were met by Briere de l'Isle's column. which had arrived in the meantime and occupied all the commanding heights. Not being able to return to Bacoinh, of which General Negrier side of the river opposite to the Consulate, where the answer to which, if there is an onswer is held the outrance with his artiflary, and Official notification is given of the appoint. hemmed in on all sides, they fied in the greatest disorder along the That-Nguyen road, the only one which remained open to them. The Commander-in-Chief gave orders for their pursuit at Tientsin, but it can only be regarded as a dis. plosed, even for a few moments, for either an by the marine infantry while the African troops appointing failure. Successive Consuls stationed incoming or an outgoing mail. Even at midwere moved along the Langson road, which leads to China, in order to render retreat in that direction impossible. Négrier's solumn was massed at the junction of the Langson and That Nouven

The same paper of the 20th instant gives selected for the Secretaryship of the Gold Coast the following fuller particulars:—On the 12th March, at half pasteix in the morning, the expeditionary corps, divided into two o dames, moved in the direction of Brenish. The Chinese in the province aumbered about 22,000 but were distributedovers considerable number of places, only about 12,000 remaining in Bastish. The first brigade under the orders of General Brides de l'Isle, left Kem, after having crossed the market town of Chi, and took the heig to of Knong-soi, after having reduced to silence the five forts which he was stationed; his amusing and vivacious letdefended the town. The second brigade, under the orders of General Negrier, supported by the is roully well done which is not done in the spirit The Q ear has been graciously pleased to ap. flotills, ascended the Songkot and took the de-tof play. noint Colin Mackensie Ford, Esq., to be one fences of Bat, Buco, and Dang Bure. These positions being taken, the enemy were pursued and driven from the heights of Dap-cau, before Bacninb, which were also compled. The artillery was ing on the subject. Mr. Ford entered the China then brought to bear on the entrance to the town might have been expected, the whole consignin order to prevent the fugitives re-entering it and to throw them back on those whom General Briers was driving in the direction of Hanoi-This combined movement was completely success. ing the Chinese from continuing their present ful. After some partial engagements the enemy seeing themselves taken on the flank and on the point of being completely surrounded, took to mittee of antiquarians to the Court of Peking to Sight, which soon became a complete rout. endeavour to interest Chine in her own ancient | Baoninh was abandoned, and the French troops entered the place at six o'clook in the evening. A battery of Krapp gunz and Christophe mitrailleuse were found in the citadel. two other Krupp batteries and num your Chinese here in rough weather, and can safely aftirm that a very little more wind and sea would have appaired the beat. Perhaps when a Post Office boatman and and stores, fell into the hands of the French. a Postal Agent (or two) have been drowned, and a home mail lost, Her Majesty's Postmastor General The French losses were small—ten killed and may recognise the advisability of providing a safer manded the Imperial forces near Soutay, was sixty wounded. The losses of the enemy are dif- mouns of convoyance. flouit to estimate; about two hundred bodies have degradation, but in consideration of his former some Chinese regulars. The enemy, pursued ter who presides over the Department in London services be was allowed to retain his command. by Bridro's and Négrier's columns, was driven, or his much humbler representative in Hongkong. tow on patty frands of this kind, and the patience on the 17th, from the fort of Phu-long-Gian. If the latter, he can only say, liberavi animam.

> return to Hanoi in a few days. POLICE COURT.

> > BRIORE BOTH MAGISTRATES.

EARRING SHATCHING. Chan Ayan, coolie, was charged with stealing pair of carriags, valued at 852, from the person. ts woman named Chan Achah, on the 19th inst. The prisoner sustained the woman's earrings in Bonham Strand at 10 a.m., and was caught with the stolen articles in his hands. Sentenced to a year's hard labour.

BEFORE MR. H. E. WODEHOUSE. Chan Afan, coolie, admitted steeling brass

the value of 50 cents from his employers, the Dook Company, on the 23ad inst. and he was sent to gaol for a week. Chang Afok and Chan Ayau, coolies, for ful one. This course was tried for some years at entering a godown belonging to Mr. W. Kerloot Hughes at Kowloon, and stealing a bag of coal, cipalities at ports like Amoy which could rote annual to make. Still there is a great deal of carewas sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

Twenty-four Chinese were brought up on a levied on each letter. The communities rapidly

BEFORE MR. A. G. WISE.

charged with drunkenness and wilful damage of sum of about £3,000 which we were paying beproperty to the value of \$5, on the 23rd instant. | fore. For the first time therefore in the history The defendant and some others, in an intoxi- of the Colony it may be considered that the Post cated state, amused themselves by smeahing | Office is being worked at a loss, All the corresgoods exposed for sale on a hawker's stall. He was fined 50 cents and had to pay 85 com- The Imperial Post Office in the first instance

Alexander Letchler and Pierre Messon, French blue jackets, were charged with drankenness and assaulting lokang No. 172, on the 23rd inst. The defendants, under the influence of liquor. made an unprovoked assault on the lokang in Lasear Row, hitting him on the kesd and knock-Fined half a dollar each.

clothing to the value of \$2, the property of little more than an hour. The means of effect-Taug Aylog, on the 24th inst. He picked the clothing up from where it had the Ceylon Post Office, by which the twelve or been put out to dry. He admitted the offence fourteen bags from Australia, which lie two or and a previous conviction, and was sent to gool three days at Colombo waiting for the outward for six months.

sent to prison for a week. A TREE DESTROYER. Lai Ayau, coolie, was brought up in court for 250 a year for undertaking this duty the sixth time for cutting branches from trees. and in default of payment of a fine of \$10, he merce to the Colonial Secretary dated May 12th,

The original of "Tom Levis" in Daudet's faulter to the amount of £120,000.

went to gad for two months.

THE POSTMASTER GENERAUS RE-PORT FOR 1883.

The following annual report from the Postmaster-General is published in the Gazelle: -General Post Office. Flongkone, 21st March, 1884. Sin .- I have the honour to report on the Bri-

tish Postal service in China during 18-3. interest upon which to remark. It is to be hoped the windows are opened. Of course if this the long-deforred entry of the Australasian Co. Department is credited by an impatient public Ionies into the Union is at last to take place. with all the time that clapses from the firing A Postal Congress was to assemble at Lisbon of the Poak gun until extremely delllast summer, but nothing has as yet been heard berate coolies saunter to the houses or offices of of its proceedings. A general period of statistics their respective employers with the letters, a was hold in November, and passed off smoothly. longer period will naturally seem to be required, Its results, as far as concerns the work of this but observation will show that even this is gen-Department, will be found embodied in Table C erally not much over four hours. The time in the appendix. It is difficult to account for the taken up in landing the mail varies vary decreases shown in this Table. The figures only considerably, being affected by the tide, mean that during the 28 days selected consider. the weather, the time of day, the amount ably less correspondence happened to pass through of obstruction caused by sampans and cargo the Post Office than during the corresponding boats, and other circumstances. Some Comperiod in 1882. That there has been no real diminution is shewn by the increased sale of until the mooring is complete, others permit their

stamps during the year. 3. The Post Offices at all the ports have been inspected by the Assistant Postmaster General; Mr. Travers, whose report has been published. Mr. Travers alludes to the inconveniences experienced by the smaller communities in not being able to obtain Money Orders except from Hongkong or Shan hai. It has just been decided at home to extend the excellent postal note system

4. The Postal facilities provided for the com-

year was the establishment of a Postal Agency greatest regularity whenever the windows are there had assured this Department that, the night he seems to think the Post Office is open Agency once established, there would be no diffi. for the sole purpose of answering his questions. culty about the courier transit from Chinking to Tientsin during the months when the rivor Pelho is frozen. The Accepty has been established, but their is a difficulty. The courier service is carried on by the Customs, and it has been found practically impossible to get a scaled bag of Registered correspondence through unspened. simply because the managers of the Transit ser. Post Office, and are beginning to remit considervice open all such bags for the purpose of re- able sums. It is curious that the large Chinese packing the contents. Under these circumatences all check on the safety of Registered Articles vanishes, and this Office finds itself practi- reason probably is that the intimate business cally where it was before, with Begistration ex- connection between the Chinese communities of tendin : to Shaushai and no further.

year in the sad death of Mr. L. Vy. Henley, Pos. that for some reason these arrangements cannot tal Agent at Foodbow. Mr. Henley was devoted so easily be made in the case of British Burmah to the interests of the community amongst whom and Australia. ters, always full of excellent suggestions, went far to prove the truth of the saying that no work

7.- Very much larger mails than in former years have been forwarded by the direct steamers leaving Hankow for London. Apractice used to their countrymen in Australia have done, more prevail at this port of sending letters on board | assistance in the Mousy Order branch of this losse to be posted at Suez. On one occasion, as ment of letters was not posted at Sues, but carried round by Gibraltar, a mishap which seems to have been not without its moral at Hankow. 8 .- An Assistant is badly wanted at Amoy where the business is outgrowing the establishment. The Agent there writes of his difficulties Office. This Department has always declined in a strain which recalls the reports of the late to participate in any Parcel Post system on

"The Post Office boat is far too small for the worl it has to do. Mr. Travers collect attention to this went out in the little dingy a few weeks ago to one of Mesers. Holts' steamers lying in the outer harbour, safe one. I have had much experience in boating

It is not quite clear which Postmaster-Genera been found, and amought them were those of is to be convinced by the destruction of two Postal Agents, the universally respected Minis. Giano, where they had taken refuge. They are 9.—To provide a larger boat is a very simple to carry them out are well illustrated by a system now in full flight, and have abandoned their difficulty. Departmental expenses are conti. Swatow. Chinese letters for Swatow were posted caunou, arms, barrage, and standards. A better caunon, arms, baggage, and standards. A battal. | unally on the increase, and can seldem be re- at Singapore without any attempt at prepayion of infantry and battery of artillery are red duced a cain. The Government of Hongkong turning to Hanoi by the direct route, which is keeps these offices at the norts open simply and solely to deliver the mails from Europe, and to collect correspondence for transmission in the opposite direction. But for this, as far as we are concerned, it would be desirable to close all the agencies to-morrow. It is discouraging, therefore to find the London Fost Office indisposed to allow any increase upon a departmental expenditure which was sattled seventeen years ago, and which has of course been completely outgrown. The expenditure of Hongkong on these agencies has been more than doubled since 1867, whilst the local Revenue of the Post Office, which in

1872 exceeded 876,000, has disappeared. 10.—It may be permissible here to quote the minute which was submitted to His Excellency has greatly tended to discourage this. Every the Governor on this subject. "I regret Mr. Fawcett's decision. It really amounts to this, that the Postel service on the coast of China

is to remain absolutely unimproved, or is to be improved at the sole cost of the colony of Hongkong. Beeides the fact that it is scarcely the province of Hongkong to provide Postal facilities for people at Amoy, &c., the Home Government has swept away all the surplus revenue out of which the expenses of such facilities might have been defrayed. might be provided at the cost of the communities concerned is not, under local circumstances, a hopo-Hiogo and Nagasaki in Japan, and led to much in-convenience and complication. There are no muni-

as might be wished to have the service stereotyped whether anybody will have the fort against all improvement; but our position would seem their battered and rancid contents. to be simply a ministorial one. There is nothing for it but to make the best of it, and not to "wander from the allotted field" until we are relieved of our

uses of the P. & O. contract, in place of the lare the averages for the year :pondence on this subject has been published asked for nearly £14,000 a year, with arrease from February 1st, 1880. The Colony is indebted to Lord Kimberley and Lord Derby for the reduction of this heavy demand to £6,000.

12.—The question of expediting the delivery of the French Mail has again occupied the attention of the Department, it is satisfactory to be able to report that the time occupied in sorting, which had crept up to nearly two hours, has again been reduced to about an hour and a quar-Yam Achol, coolie, was charged with stealing | ter, the mail having once or twice been sorted in ing this has mainly been an arrangement with packet for China, are opened there and consoli-Chung Sa Sing, coolie, for stealing an iron dated into one large mail, the contents of which bolt from the P. and O. wherf on Sanday, was are arranged so as to facilitate sorting here as much as possible. An Officer of the Colombo 18 .- In a latter from the Chamber of Com-

1882, the following remark occurs :---The committee cannot agree with the Acting Postnester General in his statement that the mail which * Stamps sold in 1830; \$100,600,68; in 1882 play. Rois on Exile, has abscouled, He is a de- 189,147.63. Increase, \$11,543.06, or nearly \$1,000

minutes to two hours before it is realy for delivery, as the experience of most of the members of this Chamber is that a much longer period is required for the distribution of the letters by the French mails."

Now as a matter of fact we French mail has ever taken much over two hours to sort. The longost time recollected is two hours and a quarter, under exceptionally disadvantageous oir. oumstances. But this is counting from the 2.—There is almost nothing of interactional arrival at the Post Office of the first bag till manders will not allow the mails to be moved despatch before anything clse is done. The counting from this circumstances sometimes toil heavily against the community at Canton, the ateamer for which place not infrequently leaves after the mail arrives, but before it is landed or can be dealt with. 14.—The sorting of the Fronch Mail is too

pertinacity of intruders, persons who, after to the colonies, and thus will be afforded to this having amused themselves by persistently office the means of offering Postal notes on the knooking at every available window (where of United Kingdom for sale at all the Forte where | course they receive no attention) drift round the its Agencies are maintained, as well as of much premises in search of any unguarded door where simplifying the present rather complicated Money an entrance may be effected. Even a Post Office must have some communication with the outer world, and if any approach, however Enlicely, munity at Swatow have been incressed, thanks be left unbarred, these people with all it. In to the energy of Mr. Brown, late Postal Agent general they only want to ask " when the mail there, by the opening of a branch office on the will be ready ? " or some equally foolish question. the Post Office has hitherto been worked. So already on the notice board. That the public far there is every reason for satisfaction with service is hindered by the attempt to gratify this sort of surjosity or selfishness appares to be 5 .- What should have been the success of the nothing to the intruder, who turns up with the Of the two, the intruder is a greater nuisance. than the gentleman who is "very sminble to

often sarried on nuder difficulties caused by the

15.-Ne less than \$:7.0:00 has been paid away to Chinese on Money Orders from Australia The Chinese in Rangeon have also discovered the money system we muintain with the Indian nopulation of the Straits Settlements use the Money Order system scarcely at all. The the two Colonies anables them to make arrange-6 .- The service sustained a loss during the ments of their own for remitting money, and

16.—Proposals to establish a Money Order system have been addressed to the Post Office of the United States, more with a view to the convenience of American residents in Southern China than to the exchange of Chinese remittances. If the Chinese who have crossed the Pacific avail themselves of the system as Department will become unavoidably necessary,

but this result is not expected. 17.-Now that an intend Parcel Post has been established in the United Kingdom it is to be hoped that the much and long desired Parcel Post from Chine may be established. Proposals to effect this have been submitted to the London which prepayment will not fearly the parcel to the door of the addressee. There will probably

now be no difficulty in securing this. 18 .- Some points in the Post Office Ordinance after his inspection of the Agency, and from my per-sonal experience I can confirm all that he has said. 1976 needing amendment, an entire reprint has been submitted for re-enactment. The point on which an alteration of the law was expecially desirable was the Section exempting all Chinese letters from the action of the Ordinance. No extensive or sweeping interference with Chinese correspondence is intended; but it is desirable to have the power to stop those wholesale evasions of public dues of all kinds which Chinese are so ingenious in devising. On one steamer for San Francisco alone over 11,000 letters were found surreptitionsly conveyed in the baggage and about the persons of Chinese passengers. 19.—The amount of thought Chinese will bes-

> with which they will "compass sea and land" ment. At Swatow they were of course charged double postage. But they had been folded with the ends open, and when the addressee had read the contents he declined to receive the letters or pay the sums due. The Swatow Agency met his next little frand by enclosing the letters in envelopes, and the practice was discontinued at once. The same thing was once tried from home with short-paid post cards, and defeated in a similar manner. It will perhaps hardly be believed that there are persons in Chica who advise their friends at home not to prepay their letters, as the postage is charged here not to the addressees but to their employers! The delay which this Department has purposely introduced as an extra penalty on short-paid correspondence appaid letter retards the delivery of the mail in which it is. A system of universal compulsory

prepayment is much to be desired.

20,—The rule of refusing to make ouquiries for unregistered letters said to have contained bank notes, jawellery, &c., and alleged to be lost in passing through the Post, introduced more than a year ago, would seem to have worked well. Complaints have become in-"Mr. Fawcett's suggestion that what is wanted frequent. It will be said that people do not complain when they are told beforehand they will not be listened to. That is true, but also, under those siroumstances, they avoid putting themselves in the position of having a complaint sums, in consequence any expenses would have to be lessuess as to the contents of letters. Covers mot by subscriptions, or (as in Japan) by a charge are received at this Office, obviously containing coin, which have not even been posted, but have "een sent loose on board steamors to reach the whether anybody will have the fortitude to eat

21 .- The mails once reached London and twice reached Hongkong in 32 days. The quickest British packet passage has been 32 days, twice, 11.—The disappearance of Revenue siluded to outward. Taking the whole year, and the above has been competed during the year under passages in both directions, the British Packets review by the receipt of directions from home to show an average of 36 days against 361, the contribute a sum of 26,000 a year towards the average French mail passage. The following

British Packets, Outward 341 days Fronch Packets, Homeward 36 British Packets, Homeward 372 I have the honour to be. Sir, your most obe-A. LISTER. liont servant. Postmaster-General

The Hou. W. H. Mareb. C.M.G., Coloniel Secretary, &c., &c., &c. · Sic, literally, in a letter from a timbrophile. What he meant to say was that he was very desirous

of forming a collection of timbres posts. + Further seizures were as follows:-

back from San Francisco as unclaimed THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA AND COMMUNICATIONS

More than 25,000 of these letters have been received

TO THE FOREIGN PRESS. The N. C. Daily Nows says :- It is scarcely necessary for us to say that the present situation of affairs is an extremely critical one. So much Post Office is paid an allowance equal to about is celf-evident. But the details of the circustion

are not generally known; and these we will now proceed to summarise in as few words as possible. In the first place, the officials of Shanghai bave just been thrown into a state of the profoundest trepidation by the receipt of a Circular from Plong Yu lin, of a singularly plasming and unexpected nature. This is nothing more nor less than the embodiment of a Secret Decree, issued by the Empress Regent and addressed to Ad.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

CAPTAIN

Black Flog Chief, Generalissimo of the Forces after hardly any fighting. in Tonquin. The Decree, a copy of which we have hitherto been unable to obtain, is, briefly, to the following effect. The Empress greatly incoused at the fact of the secret of two thousand being killed. orders of the Government having been communicated to a foreign newspaper, and now com-mands P'eng Yu-lin to inform all the Viceroys and Governors in the Eighteen Provinces that, should such an offence be repeated, they are to take immediate steps for the secret arrest of any suspected persons, and, on their guilt being proved, to decapitate them on the spot, without reference to Peking, the official from whose Yamen the document is stolen being liable to the severest punishment and degradation. It definite statement of their future intention would be difficult to oraggerate the consterns. regarding the Sondan, but the Promier said tion caused in official circles by the receipt of that it was inexpedient to make such a statethis Decree; and the effect among the officials mout. He said that General Grahav, had been in this city is doubtless much the same as that ordered to relieve Tokar and had succeeded. which will be produced all over China. At Po- The security of Suskim was essential to future king there is very serious trouble. Counsels peace and the dictates of humanity, but when are divided, even in the Tsung-li Yamen. The these obligations were fulfilled, the expedition most powerful man at the present moment is | would be abandoned. The Government would Prince Chan, father of the Emperor; and it is not sanction a distant expedition into the not difficult to guess on which side—that of interior. Lord Hartington said that Govern-The prevailing anggestion among Chinese states. troops to Assonan, if necessary. men at the present moment is calculated to raise a smile by its amasing naivets. It is gravely proprice offered for the work being nothing less garrison is able to withdraw numelested. than the whole pediusula of Annam itself! This country of one of them going to war with riving at Snakim. France, and which offers, by way of recompense, what now virtually belongs to France and not to General Graham has arrived at Suskim. Os-Uhina. But the fact is that the position of the man Digna still maintains a bellicose attitude. Black Flags is extremely critical. The soldiers The British troops have started from Trinkitat being three months in arrears; Liu has no money miral Hewett in the Speedy has gone on a special funds have met with nothin / but edicts ordering | peoted that Massowah will be made a free port. Viceroys to provide the supplies which are not forthcoming. That there were Chinese soldiera employed in the defence of Bacuinh we believe to The 35th Regiment has been ordered to Siout. be a fact: but they consisted entirely in an undrilled rabble and a few officers of low rank, and followers of the Mahdi north of Obeid. they ran away as soon as ever they came to close quarters with the enemy. Upon the truth rereason to believe it will be-it is clear that it Red Ses was secured. A weak garrison at will be the Viceroys and Governors that are Suskim under these circumstances would be most eager to declare war à l'outrance. Even ploy force to resoue the other garrianus. apart from this consideration, the cogency of and, as we have before pointed out, their in sent a message to Osman Digua summoning fluence at Peking is very great. Much strength | him to disperse his forces. But no heed has been will be lost to the position taken up on the part | paid to the message. of the high officers by the critical situation of Liu, who is now at Chen nan Knan and in

TINNISIN.

push matters to the very last extreme."

11th March. The Locolco Islands Messengers are still here; it is said Li Hung-chang has promised to attend to their request. The one who went to Peking has returned. They are dressed in Chimese, and wear the tail; what will Japan say to

Foor Tseng Yui-yin thes been degraded, and ordered back to Bacuinh to fight the French. He may not come out so satisfactorily this time as out of the Margary affair.

Yesterday morning heavy snow fell for about two hours, and during the night a heavy dust gale from the north; drift ice again in the river; it is hoped the restriction against killing cattle. will now be withdrawn, as at last Heaven has answered the official prayers.

It is said Her Majesty declines to accept Li Hung chang's protest against holding the office of High Commissioner for the Seven sea-board provinces. The Governor of Shantung pays a Ameer. visit to Chefoe to inspect the troops and menof-war there, and to make arrangements so that the French cannot take and hold Chefoo.

15th March, 1884. To-morrow Tseng Kuo Chuen leaves by Grand Canal for Chekiana; he dreads to face the sea and therefore prefers the tedious journey via the Grand Canal. It is reported that Li and Tsens Colonel Stewart on special duty in Northern have come to an understanding to work together in barmony, and not as Li and Tso worked. I hear that Her Majesty will not accept Li's excuse for not taking the office of defender of

the con nor leou as defender of the land. Nothing definitely is known as to what conclusions have been come to in regard to the Lucchuo question and the revision of the Japanese Trenty.

To-day several torpedoes, from the military stores in the city, were put on board cargo-boats. It is said they are to be sent to Shan-hai-quan, as some foreigners have informed the Chinese authorities that the French are thinking of landing there. Others say the torpedoes are to be sent to the Koreans as inferred in my former letter. The Koroan Triding Regulations with China have been arranged in Peking with the Korean Ambassador, the bearer of the tribate; and the Korean gates are to be thrown open to the Chinese and Koreans alike from the first day of the present Chinese year .- Mercury Corres. pondent,

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer Natal, Captain G. Didier, from Marseilles 17th pltimo, via Naples, Port Said, Suez, Aden, Colombo, Singapore, and Saigon, with the London mail of the 15th February. serived here yesterday afternoon. The following telegrams are taken from Ceylon and Indian

THE WAR IN THE SOUDAN. MADRAS, 29th Feburary. - The mail steamer Bokkara has embarked at Sues the 60th Rifles, Lieut. Col. Sir C. Ashburnham commanding forty mounted infantry, and fifty horses. The Euryalus, Jumna, Decoy, and Daring, war ships, are there; wiso two merchant ships and an Italian gunboat. Camels are being shipped at Suez,

LONDON, 1st March. The Admiralty report that an engagement took place yesterday between the British force and the rebels, in which the latter were defeated at every point. The British loss in killed and wounded was fifty, and the enemy's one thousand. The following officers were killed in the engagement last Friday :- Lient. Freeman, of the 19th Hussars; Major Slade, of the 10th Hussars;

Lieut. Probyn of the 9th Bengal Cavalry; and Quartermaster Wilkins of the 60th Rifles. A telegram received from General Graham contains the following details of Friday's fight : -" L'ecciving no reply to the flag of trace, an advance of the troops was ordered. After three hours' severe fighting, the enemy's entrenchtuents were stormed, and despite the desperate has been doubled and a flying tenacity of the rebels the British recaptured readiness for eventualities. seven guns besides arms and ammunition. The enamy's loss was heavy, 200 corpses being found in the trenches. The British loss was 30 killed and 142 wounded, Baker Pasha, Colonels

Barnaby and Barrow, and Colonel Littledate of the 65th Regiment were neverely wounded, and Sales of Patna Captain Brabazon of the 10th Hussars, Major at 8620 to \$625. Dalgetty of the 65th Regiment, Captain Wanchops and Lientenants Macleod and Gordon of the 42nd Regiment, Captain Green of the Engineers, and Captain Kelly of the Artille;y were slightly wounded," General Gordon has issued a proclamation re-

buking the Sondanese and threatening them with chastisement by the British troops. Lord Granville, replying to a question in the House of Lords yesterday, said that Government On Paris .-had received a lengthy despatch from the Turkish Government containing the bases of an agreement concerning Egypt, which the British Government however regard as impracticable. The views of the latter on the subject have been com-

municated to the Porte. A special telegram to the Bombay Gazette from Trinkitat says that General Graham advanced on Friday to the relief of Tokar. The rebels were found to a strongly entrauched position, seven miles from Trinkitat. After 124, and 123 per cent. prem. for the end of the some preliminary skirmishing, fighting became month. Dooks have obanged hands at 40 per general all along the line. The enemy fought cent. prom. Bugars are wanted at \$106 per with fearless determination and the English share. A few Selangor Tine have been placed troops behaved splendidly. The estimated num. at \$460 and more wanted at the same figure. ber is twelve thousand lest [Penemy's force] and Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares-128 two thousand killed. The four Krupp's guns and two Gatlings which Baker Paska lost when Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limitedhis force was routed were recovered. Our lose

miral Pong, on the subject of the publication in was about forty killed and ninety wounded. the columns of the North China Daily News of Lieutenant Boyd Carysford was severely injured. the former Edict appointing Lin Jung fo, the On Saturday General Graham entered Tokar

> CAIRO, 2nd March. The British wounded were progressing favourably. The enemy's loss was enormous, topwards Osman Di ma is enchmped eight mlies from Snakim, and another battle is expected.

Tokar has been relieved without further resistance from the rebels. LONDON, 3rd March. The Queen has telegraphed to General Graham congratulating him on his victory.

LONDON, 4th March. The Opposition pressed Government for

LONDON, 5th March. The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in posed to solloit the services of some one European reply to a question, said that it is not intended. Power to expel the French from Tonquin, the to relieve Kassala, it is believed that the

CAIRO, 4th March. fact we believe to be strictly true; and nothing The British troops are returning to Trinkitat, could, to our mind, more foreibly illustrate the where they will concentrate to-morrow, embark, desperation of the Government than a proposal and it is expected proceed immediately to Suskim. to the Foreign Ministers which involves the Some inhabitants of the garrison of Tokar are ar-

Carno, 5th March. Dand, and all his applications to Politing for I mission to King John of Abyssinia. It is ex CAIRO, 6th March. The British troops have landed at Suskim.

Some friendly tribes have defeated a thousand LONDON, 7th March. Lord Hartington asked Parliament for a supspecting this affair the greater part of the plementary creditof half-a-million for the Soudan. French claim to an indemnity may depend; and He said that General Graham had been authorised if an indemnity be claimed on we have good to attack Osman Digna when the litteral of the

China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures) called upon to find the money who will prove sufficient. General Gordon was prepared to em-Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—391 which is underiable, the provincial authorities The Sheiks in the neighbourhood of Suskim Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—\$145 per generally are animated by a warlike feeling, are coming into the town. General Graham has Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited

BUSSIAN MOVEMENT IN CENTRAL ASIA. LONDON, 23rd February. distress. The feeling at Peking against the

Sir Charles Dilke, replying to Mr. Stanbops's Fromoh can scarcely be over-stated; while the motion, calling the attention of the House to French, on their side, are fully determined to the Russian action with respect to Merv, said it was impossible to state at present the views of the Government, as they were in course of communication with the Bussian Chancellor on the subject. Sir Charles said that the British Government adhered to the former assurances given to the Ameer of Afghanistan, and that it was the policy of Her Majesty's Ministers to make Afghanisten strong and independent as an advanced post of the British Empire. Abdul Rahman, he said, was stronger than his predecessors, and had always been friendly to the Eg. S. Stritish Government. The limitation of the frontier of Northern Afghanistan is seriously cocupring the attention of the Government. The Government of India have formally assumed the administration of Quetta, and the position on the north-west frontier was very satisfactory.

Lord Fitzmaurice said he believed that an exchange of communications between England an i Russia, will strengthen the bonds of Islandship between the two countries. There are symptoms that Russia is preparing

o annex Balkh. It is expected that the British Government will occupy Kandahar if Herat passes from the The Army and Navy Gazette announces that the India Office has decided to communicate with

Lord Riven respecting the increasing of the frontier garrison and the occupation of Kandahar. It is an ununced that Nawab Hassan Ali Khan, Attaché to the Bhiluchistan Agency, has been directed to hold himself in readiness to join

St. Petersburg, 25th February General Rosenbach replaces General Toherwieff as Governor-General of Turkestan The appointment is considered us a concession to English susceptibilities in connection with Rus-

sian action in Central Asia. TRHERAN, 26th February. In pursuance of orders sent from here, Ayoub Khan has been detained at Meshed.

MISCELLANIOUS ITEME. LONDON, 27th February. No clue has been dispovered to the explosion at Victoria Station, but there is little doubt

that a package containing dynamite had been eft in the cloak-room. Obituary Right Hon. Thomas Milner PARIS, 27th February. Admiral Millot has superseded Admiral Gali-

per as commander of the French naval force in Malarasy waters. The appointment indicates a policy of conciliation on the part of the French LONDON, 28th February. The finding of the Court-martial on the re-

cent stranding of the troopship Euphrates is that the Captain be dismissed from his ship. Loxpon, 29th February. Several bags containing twenty pounds of dynamite and also some infernal machines have been found in the clock-rooms of Charing Cross and Paddington railway stations.

CONSTANTINOPLE, 2nd March. The Cretars have refused to recognize the Museulman Governor, and serious disturbances are threatened:

CONSTANTINOPLE, 4th March. The Porte has revoked the appointment of the Musulman Governor of Crete. ADBN. 6th March. A revolt has taken place of the Bedomins at

INDIAN ITEMS CALGUTTA, 20th February. The Chief Commissioner of Assam, after having during the first few days inspected the Makum coal-fields formally declared the coal industry of Assam open yesterday at a gathering of some 250. Europeans and leading natives at Margherita. The first tisin was afterwards run

from Margherita to Dibrugarh. MADRAS. 3rd March. The Nizam of Hyderhad is dangerously ill. with cholers. English doctors are attending on him. There are the usual remours of poisoning, but the doctors have no doubt that the illness is obolera. Disturbances are expected in the event of his Highness's death. The Resident's guard has been doubled and a flying column is held. In

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> FOR NEW YORK. THE 3/3 L. I. L. American Bark "PENOBSCOT." Enton, Master, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. 18th March, 1884. FOR VICTORIA, B.C. THE American Bark

"NANAIMO." Captain Dodd, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch. For Freight or Passage, apply to AKNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. 14th March, 1884.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Bark "FRED. P. LITCHFIELD." Norm.-This Firm is the oldest established Spalding, Master, will load here for the about For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C.

10th March 1884. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. "TITAN."

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. 10th March, 1884. FOR CANTON.

Norris, Master, will load here for the above

will run between this and Cauton as a NIGHT BOAT leaving Hongkong and Canton respectively every other day at 5.30 P.M., beginning on the 2nd of March. Special Conditions are

For Particulars apply to the Agents,

granted to large shippers.

Messes. ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Canton. Measra, HING LEE & Co., Hongkong. or to Captain on board. 28th February, 1884.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS. STEAM FOR BAIGON, BINGAPORE, BATAVIA, CO. LONBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA. PORT SAID. SYBIAN PORTS NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA; PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA,

AND ALL INDIAN PORTS. N TUESDAY, the 25th day of March, 1984, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "TRAOUADDY." Commandant Pasqualini, with MATLS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for blarselles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon of 24th March. 1884. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Darwin on the 13th, and may be expected to Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 24th March, 1884. (Parcels are not to be sent

on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

I. MARTIN. Acting Agent. 14th March, 1884.

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP CO. STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE.

VIA INLAND SEA. (Taking Cargo and Passenvers for YOROHAMA, VLADIVOSTOCK and COREA.) "KUMAMOTO-MARU," Captain DRUMMOND, due here on or about the 24th instant, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, at FOUR P.M. Cargo received on board and Parcels at the

Office up to ONM P.M., of the day of Sailing. No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight. All Claims for Damage must be settled or board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized Cargo and Passengers for Yokohama will transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe, and for Vladivostock and Cores at Nagasaki and/or Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Offices, Prays Central, Ground Floor of Mesers, Russell & Co. H. J. H. TRIPP.

21st March, 1884.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVER-

U. S. MAIL LINE.

YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO. WHE U. S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF PEKING," will be despatched for San TUESDAY, the 1st April, at THREE P.M. taking Passengers and Preight for Japan, the the Mails, &c. United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports. to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to such letters. Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara; and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers. Through Passage Tickets granted to England.

France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers. RETURN PASSAGES. -- Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at Sau Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 % from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10 %, will be made from Return Faro. Pro-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 % from Return Fare. These allowances

L575 do not apply to through fores from China and Japan to Europe. Fraight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the Sist March. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full: value of same is required. Consular Invoices to accompany Overland

Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector 11.10 A.M., Letters may be posted with Lato Fe of Costoms at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company No. 50A, Queen's Road Central. F. E. FOSTER.

Agent.

20th March, 1884.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE. PENANG. COLOMBO ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES MALTAL GIBRALTAR BRYNDISI. TRIESTE, VENICE, PLYMOUTH,

AND LONDON: BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

3.40 P.M.—Late Lietters may be posted on hoard BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS. MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAM-BURG, NEW YORK, AND BOSTON. TITHE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship

"CLYDE," Capt. E. M. Edmond, with Hor Majesty's Mails, will be despitched from 1599 this for LONDON via BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL on TUESDAY, the let April, at FOUR P.M. Cargo will be received on board until TEN A.M. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office putil though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such

TEN A.M., on the day of sailing. Silk and Valuables for Europe will be tranas invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge shipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay, with out transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct routs via Colombo. For further particulars regarding FREIGH and Passage apply to the PRNINSULAR ORIENTAL STEAM NAYIGATION COMPANY Office, Hone kong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are re. letters. quired to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading. CHEAP RESERVED ACCOMMODATION can [591] be obtained in this Company's Steamers; for Class) Writers or Schoolmistresses may send particulars apply at the Office,

N.B.—This steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for Marseilles. A. MOIVER, Superintendent. 21st March, 1884.

STEAM COMMUNICATION TO WESTERN AUSTRALIA. THE WEST AUSTRALIAN STEAM. A. SHIP COMPANY'S Steamer

"NATAL." J. Wood, Commander, under engagement with the Straits and Western Australian Governments, is expected to leave Hingapore for Fremantle, calling at Batavia, Rosbuck Bay, Cosmack, Sharks Bay and Geraldton, as notified [532 | below :-

> NORTHWARD BERVICE. Leaving Fremantle calling at Geraldton, Sharks Bay Cossack, Roebuck Bay, and Batavia, 18th 2nd 13th 18th 28th 11th 2nd March May June July Aug. Oct. Dec. Arriving at Singapore. 4th 19th 29th 4th 14th 28th . 19th April May June Aug. Sep. Oct. Dec. SOUTHWARD SERVICE.

Leaving Singapore, calling at Batavia, Rosbuck

PROPOSED TIME TABLE.

Bay, Cossack, Sharks Bay and Geraldton, 12th 24th 1st 10th 20th 5th 21st April May July Aug. Sep. Nov. Doc. Arriving at Fremantle. 30th 11th 16th 25th 8th 30th 8th April June July Aug. Oct. Nov. Jan. Coloon, and also excellent socommodation for Second and Third Class Passengers.

For Freight and Passage to the above and other Australian Ports, apply to

L'ugapore, 5th February, 1884.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer Oceanic, with the next American mall, left San Francisco on the 8th March, and is due here on or about the 7th April. THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. steamer Robilla left Singapore at 10 a.m. on the 22nd, and may be expected on the afternoon of the 27th instant. THE INDIAN MAIL.

The next direct steamers, with the Indian mail, left Calcutta on the morning of the 19th March, and are due here on or about the 4th

STEAMERS EXPECTED. The Ocean Steamship Company's steamer Stentor left Singapore on the 20th, and may be looked for here on or about the 27th lustant. The A. C. J. & S. S. N. Co.'s chartered steamer Naples ket Sydney on the 29th February and is due here on or about the 27th inst. The E. and A. steamer Catterthun left Port

arrive here on or about the 29th instant. POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

The Postal Guide for 1834, revised to date, will be found in the Daily Press Directory, p. 385 large edition, p. 633s nall edition. This is the only authorized complete Summary of Postal information published in Hongkoug.

The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is always

corrected to a much later hour than that given F NATE WILL GLOSE For Amoy and Manila.-Per Amatista, to day, the 25th inst., at 4.30 P.M. For Haitong .- Per Saltes, to-day, the 25th

inst. at 5.00 P.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.-Per Douglas, to-morrow, the 26th inst., at 9.80 A.M. For Shaughai .- Per Fooksang, on Thursday, the 27th inst., at 3,30 P.M. For Narasaki and Kobe .- Per Kumamato. Maru, on Friday, the 28th inst., at 3.30 P.M. For Yokohama, -- Per Kashyar, on Monday, the Slat inst., at 11.30 A.M.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET. The French Contract Packet Iraquaddy will he despatched on TUESDAY, the 25th Merch, with Mails Lir the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Caylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, Madras, Calculta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibroltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing

the Mails, &c. MATES BY THE BRITISH PACKET. The British Contract Packet Clude, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the Ist April, with Mails for the United Kingdom. Europe and countries beyond, via Brindiel; to the Straits Settlements, Batavis, Burmah, Caylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. The usual heurs will be observed in closing

The Post Office declines all resonasibility for Unregistered Latters containing Jewellery, &c., and, where Registration has been neglected, will make no enquiries into alleged losses of MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES The United States Mail Pasket City of

Peking will be despatched on TUESDAY, the let April, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolula, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows :-2.15 P.M., Registry cesses. 2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes. HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT

MATLS. THE TRUNCK MAIL. Day before Departure. P.H., Money Order Office closes, Post Office closes, except the night box, which is always open out of office hours. Day of Departure.

7 A.M., Post Office opens. 10 A.W., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases. 11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Lethers.

11.30 A.M., when the Post Office closes entirely. 11.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents until time of departure. THE ENGLISH MAIL. The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet:-

Day of Devarture. NGON.—Money Order Office closes. 2.00 P.M.-Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns cesses, (0) P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters. 3.10 p.w.—Letters may be posted with late fee of 10 cents until 3.30 P.w.—when the Post Office closes entirely.

the packet with late fee of 10 cents, until

time of denarture. RATES OF POSTAGE. Letters, per & cs. 10 Cents Post Cards, each Books, Patterns, and Commercial? Papers, per 2 oz. Newspapers & Prices Current, each 2 Cents Registration with return receipt ... Commercial papers signify such papers as

is the same as for Books, but all packets of and under 4 os, weig toare charged 5 Cents. The Post Office declines all responsibility for Unrecistored Letters containing Jewellery, &v., and, where Registration has been neglected, will made no enquiries into alleged losses of such

SOLDIERS' AND SALLORS' LETTERS. I .- Privates in H.M. Army or Navy, Noncommissioned Officers. Bandmasters Army Schoolmasters (not Superintending or First half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom by mail at the rate of four cents (twopence) each, which may be prepaid either in Imperial or in Hongkong Stamps. By private steamer the postage is 2 cents (one penny), which is also the general rate of Postage on Soldiers' and Sallors' letters sout elsewhere. 2-The same privileges apply to latters at dressed to the Privates and Non-commissioned Officers us Hed above.

3.—Private steamers leave Hongkong for London about every ten days. 4.—The letters must not exceed half an ounce. No handkershiefs, jewellery, &c., can be sent, even with the ends open. 5.-If from a Soldier or Sallor his class and description must be stated in full on the letter, the cover of which must be signed by the Commanding Officer, with name of regiment, ship.&c...

in full. If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class and description, with name of regiment, ship, &c., must be stated in full. 6.—Soldiers and Sailors have no privileged with regard to books or papers, nor can these be prepaid with Imperial Stamps. But not Warrant Officers, viz. - Conductor Gun m Bratinwein, an Jernantan

ANDROMEDA, Ger. ship, Schaeffer, Captain. BERENICE, A. H. steamer. P. Crillovich. Molohers & Co.

CHANNEL QUEEN, Brit. bk., W. Lo Lachour .-Soballhass & Co. H. E. TAPLEY, Brit. bk., Finleyson.—Russell STEPHAN, Ger. ship, A. Trompetter.—Melchers & Co.

The "NATAL" has a remarkably fine CARL RITTER, Ger. bk., C. Mahe .- Siemssen

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS. Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS, will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour :-

AQNGKONG MARKETS.

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City of Peking Mar. 22 Berry

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White Cloud

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Andromeda

Carl Ritter

Hayda Brown

Margarethe

Paul Riviere

Navosink ¹

Rambler

Raphael

Antioch

Esmeralda

Hamlin

Jan. 25 Fooken

Mar. 22 S. Ashton.

June 30 | Remontaria

Mar. 24 Macking

Mar. 21 F. Ahrens

Mar. 4 Gonzalos

Feb. 26 H. Longly

Mar. 20 | Blackburns

Mar. 23 R. J. Brown

Mar. 23 Ph. Nissen

Mar. 14 T. Schuldt

Oct. 11 A. S. Ros

Nov. 25 J. Wyman

Dec. 20 C. M. Noves

5 Lincoln

Mar. 9 C. Mahe

Out. 15 Havener

Feb. 17 C. Popps

Mar, 20 Welks

Mar. 20 | Kruse

Mar. 11

Jan. 29 Mullons

Jan. 21 O. G. Saton

Mar. 14 Trompetter.

Dec. 24 C. H. Norris

June 8 Warland

Sherman

Holmes

Dec. 14 | Blumenberg

Feb. 25 | W. Pleetz

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Mar, 12 Johannsen

Mar. 17 Vincent

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Johann Carl

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E. Tennis

Mar. 23 Hogg

Feb. 22 C. Ficking

Mar. 8 Finlayson

Mar. 23 D. Scott

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Channel Queen Mar. 12 Le Luchour

F. P. Litchfield Mar. 20 Spalding

James Ross

P. Urillovioh

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J. Woone

Wallace

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B. Blaue

Didier

Lightwood

Listavour

Havilon

A. Benning

Schaeffer

W. Moller

Lieride

T. Bonnin

EXTRAOTS. THE ESTHETIC LADY'S LAMENT. Winter is tho only season In whose tinta I pleasure find, As must every human being. Who is not to beauty blind. In the winter I may revelent In soft tones and sober shades, Sombro's then the heaven's colour, Sombro, too, the forest glades. Then, the trees in naked beauty Stretch their branches stiff and brown And the meadows' gaudy verdure To a faded gray's toned down. Then all light and freshness vanish. By one neutral tint effaced-Winter is the only season When poor Nature shows some taste! But, alse! the spring is coming, Soon my tertured eyes will acho To beliefd the flashy colours. Clothing meadow, mount and brake, Then the chestnuts' brown buds bursting Flush with blossoms, red and white, Forming, with the bright green foliage, Contrasts hateful to the sight. And in epring the very skies, too, Lose their heavenly ashen hus. And assume a jaunty colour, Really too absurdly blue ! And, whon spring glides into summer, Matters will grow sadder yet, How its glaring colour errors Make my art-soul fume and frot ! Then throughout the golden corn fields Crimson poppies up will start, Mingling with the bluest corn flowers, Quite against all rules of art. In the orchard, the same story, Purple glow the prune and plum. Red and gold, the riponed peaches, But, alas! the worst's to come. For in autumn, honest Nature Seems to go stark colour mad, Ev'ry tree, and bush, and hodgorow In one gardy garb is clad-Glowing in one blaze of colour I saw the woods, the hills, the plains Crimson, resect, golden-tinted-Chaos suro is como again! But from faulty Nature flying, To my bendoir I will go, There, amid pure art surroundings Let the seasons past me flow. There I'll shut out gaudy brightness, Drawing down the pale green blind, And in willow-pattern landscapes Consolation I will find. There I'll tend my tall sunflowers, Lovely plants, I ween, are they, Yellow, prim, and stiff, and scentiers. And High Art in every way. Or, in gravel work I'll model Fruit and flower, and leaf, and tree And endeavour to show Nature What she ought to try to be !

Temple Bar. DOGS. Our esteemed contemporary, the Sun, asks. in reference to the recent murders on Long Island, says the New York Times, whether there is not some safeguard which will protect people from assessing and increase "the probability of early detection " in cases where murder is committed. The answer to this question, according to the Sun, is, pared to issue Policies of Insurance against Fire "Yes, dogs.". The Long Islanders, if they will provide themselves with big dogs, will be comparatively safe, and if it does so happen that a murdor is committed in the presence of a Long Island dog the detection of the murderer will be rendered very probable While there is no doubt that in point of intel-TIRE at the following Rates :--ligence the average dog is far superior to the On First-class European average detective, it does not appear precisely how a dog can aid in the detection of On First-class Godowns, murderers. Few, if any, courts would admit the testimony of a dog claiming to have been an eye-witness of a inurder. A dog does not understand the nature of an oath, and even were it explained to him, the fact that he has no soul susceptible of future reward and punishment places him, as a witness, on the level with an atheist. It may be conceded that were a dog to bite; a piece out of the murderer's leg, and bring it promptly to a coroner, suspicion would be at once directed to any man whose leg the piece might fit; but dogs will not form the habit of sampling murderers without long training, and there might be a difficulty in finding legs with which to train dogs. There are thestrical dogs who, on meeting a murderer years after the perpetration of his crime, will instantly rush at him and announce in a loud bark that he is guilty; but CHAN LI CHOY, Esq. Q. HOI CHUNE, Esq. these dogs are never met except on the stage, and the ordinary dog of private life knows no distinction between a murderer and a minister of the Gospel. Of course the Sun recommends that only large dogs should be employed as private police guards. The ballef of our esteemed contemporary is that a big dog will always fly at a ruffian who lays hands upon the dog's owner. This No. 2, Queen's Road West, certainly is not true of the Newfoundland dog. A more peaceable and credulous porson than the Newfoundland dog does not NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE exist. If a murderer attacks the owner of a Newfoundland'dog, and the latter finds by by masal investigation that the murderer keeps a dog and has thus been admitted to FIRE at Current Rates. canine society he will implicitly believe every word the murderer says, and will sit with his tongue out, cheerfully watching the murder of his owner, under the belief that it is some sort of a friendly game. As a protector, the Newfoundland dog is painfully inefficient. Heis a gentleman, and his society ought by all means to be cultivated, but he is no CAPITAL (FULLY SUBSCRIBED) Tis. 1,000,000. better as a protector than is an Egyptian soldier. The mastiff is a much more efficient beast, and when he is hungry he will bite a murderer or a gas inspector with great enthusiasm. The difficulty is that when he is not hungry be is good-tempered to a fault, and is almost as ready as a Newfoundland dog to listen to a inurderer's plausible explanations. Then, too, when the mastiff is hungry he will bol any meat that is given him with the speed and confidence of a Western railway traveller. Thus it is always easy to calm, him with prussic acid, and prevent all possibility of his interfering with a murderer's plans. The truth is othat popular opinion of the fidelity of watch dogs is not justified by facts. As Lord Bacon intended to remark, Dogs are for delight, for consolation, and for example." Socially, the big dog-provided he is not a bloodhound-is one of the mout satisfactory and improving companions, but he is not to be trusted as a protector of life and property. The small and conceited terrier, who loudly informs any burglar who tries to enter the house of the dog's owner

budges fastened to their collars. The North German Gazette is authorized to deny that there is any difference between THE Undersigned Agents of the above Bismarck and Manteuffel. It declares the Company, are Prepared to ACCEPT Gazette, "Japan Gazette Summary," and Otsego Hong List," Orders for Subscriptions and Rose Saghali The North German Gazette is nuthorized to that the recent visit of the Baron to the Prince was merely in relation to quastions with Probbe and the future treatment of Alsace-Lorraige.

which to leave, after which he will tear

what he says, is worth a dozen big digs as

a protector of property. Long Island mur-

derers will not, however, be appreciably

diminished either by big or little dogs, and

Long Island murderers will be detected by

local detectives almost as soon as they would

by a corps of big dogs with special constable

FIRANBATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE L COMPANY OF HAMBURG. The Undersigned, having been appointed igents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current SLEMSSEN & Co. Agents. 16th November, 1872. NOTICE. WHE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED, Is prepared to ACCEPT FIRST-CLASS RISKS at 1 % nett per Annum, and other In-SURANCES at Current Rates. AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China nd Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon, Penang, and the Philippines. JAS. B. COUGHTRIE. 27th March, 1882. HE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED. THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the shove Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Col 5th November, 1883. IVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY. The Undersigned, as Agents for the above Company, are prepared from this date to GRANT POLICIES upon FIRST-CLASS RIBKS to the extent of £15,000, at the Reduced Tariff Rates. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. 11th May, 1881. NOTICE. AUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEFT RISKS on FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS at 1 per Cent. Nott preminm per Annum. NORTON & Co., Agents. 20th May, 1881. THE LONDON ASSURANCE. INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST. A.D. 1720. HE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:-MARINE DEPARTMENT. Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia, FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE HOUSEHOLD COMPANION Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. LIFE DEPARTMENT. Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000, at reduced rates. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. 26th July, 1872. OUN FIRE OFFICE The Undersigned are prepared from this date to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE at the Reduced Tariff: Rates to the extent of \$50,000 on First-class Risks. LINSTEAD & DAVIS. Agents. Sun Fire Office.

12th Way, 1881 CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY .-ESTABLISHED 1805. THIHE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are pre-ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. January 188 2. THENTX FIRE OFFICE The Undersigned are now propored to GRANT POLICIFS of INSURANCE against

Tenements at 1% Net per Annum. & Merchandise stored therein at 1 %. Net per Annam. OUND VOLUMES of the China Overland On Petroleum in licensed Godowns at 11.1/2 Net per Annum. On First-class Chinese. Tenements at 2 % Not per Annum: On Second-class Chinese nts at 21 %. Net per Annum.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Tenements Agents for Phonix Fire Office. 543 Americk, 1881. SINE MAN ON INSURANCE COM-

PANY, LIMITED. HEAD OFFICE—Hongrong. CAPITAL (Subscribed), \$1,000,000. BOARD OF DIRECTORS. LUM SIN BANG, Esq. Yow CHONG PENG, Eag.

The Company GRANTS POLICIES payable at any of its Agencies. Contributory Dividends are payable to all Contributors of Business, whether they are WOO LIN YUEN. Secretary. HEAD OFFICE,

Houghoug, 14th March, 1881,

INSURANCE COMPANY. THE undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to INSURE against GILMAN & Co. 1st January, 1882. HIHE CHINA MERCHANTS' INSURANCE COMPANY. LIMITED

HEAD OFFICE-SEARGHAL. BOARD OF DIRECTORS Tong King Sing, Esq., Chairman. CHU YU CHEE, Esq. CHANG SU HO, Esq. CHING TO CHAL, Esq. | YIP YU TIN, Esq.

and ten others.

The Company GRAN'S POLICIES MARINE RISKS at Current Rates to parts of the World. Usual returns of Premia are made to all Contributors of Business whether Shareholders' HO SHEN CHEE. Head Office, Hankow Road,

Shanghairlet June 1882 (D. 911) 6 [1102 NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG. THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT IN-SURANCES to the extent of \$65,000, on firstass risks at current rates. MATTER CHANGE MELCHERS & Co.

27th March 1876 (1717) 22167 MERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COM-Ashrond for well PAN V. S. of web as The Undersigned, Agents for the above that he will give him just one minute in Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE to the extent of \$60,000 on any him into a thousand pieces, and really means one FIRST-CLASS RISK

RATES ON FIRST CLASS GODOWNS RE-DUCED TO THE CENT. METT PER ANNUM PROM THIS DATE: WHITE A PRODUCT STATE OF THE PROMETER STATE OF THE GIBB; LIVINGSTON & Co., Imperial Fire Insurance Company. 9th May, 1881.

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